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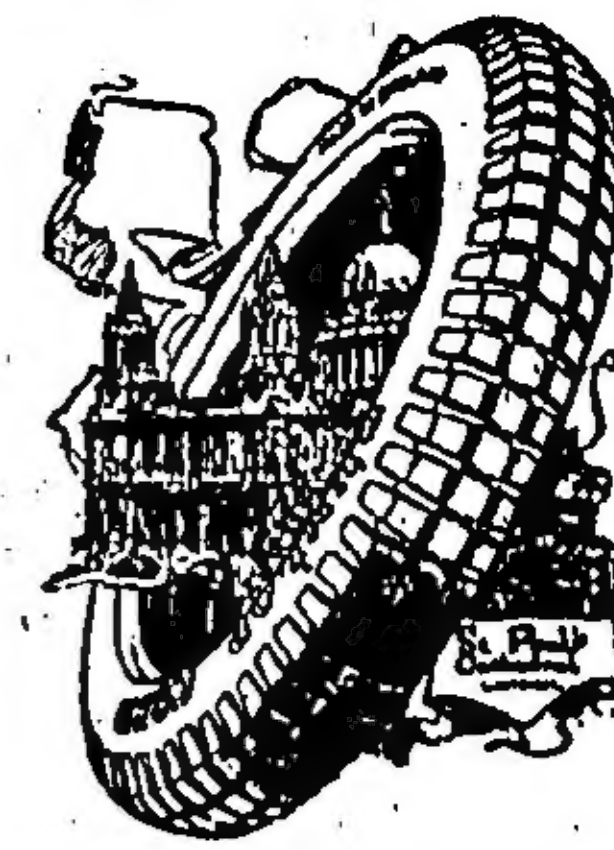
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## INDIA AND COTTON

TEXTILE TRADE ENDANGERED.

## BOYCOTT EFFECT DEPUTATION FROM LANCASHIRE.

Rugby, Yesterday. Lord Peel, opening the debate in the House of Lords on India, invited the Government to indicate the personnel and scope of the resumed meeting of the Round Table Conference. If Gandhi was to be the sole representative of Congress, it was to be noted that from recent meetings at Karachi it did not appear that the views of Congress were either unanimous or homogeneous. He urged the importance of safeguards especially for minorities, and expressed anxiety at the present state of communal relations.

Lord Rending said that the substance of the safeguards and reservations stated by him to the committee which had been accepted by the Government and pronounced for by the Prime Minister, were part and parcel of the whole question of responsibility at the centre. Referring to the Cawnpore massacres, he asked what steps were to be taken to prevent a recurrence of such incidents, and dealing with the recent warnings of Sir Geoffrey de Mont, Governor of the Punjab, about the spread of disorder, he appealed to the Government to give the Viceroy the fullest assurance of their support in any measures he might wish to take. "In doing so they would have the support of both political parties and the country as a whole."

### More Representation?

Lord Snell, Under Secretary for India, said that the Government proposed to invite the Indian delegates to London to resume the work of the Federal Structure Committee and the Government hoped that the committee deliberations would make progress here during the summer. The Indian representation on the committee was to be the same, but the Government was considering whether it would not be desirable to add to it the representatives of certain interests not directly represented on the original committee.

A definite statement as to the personnel could not be made until Lord Willingdon had had time to consider the matter.

The Government's plans contemplated bringing the problems which had been entrusted to the Federal Structure Committee under further discussion. The specific heads of inquiry referred to the committee when it sat in London were intended broadly to cover the whole field of the constitution and powers of the Federal or Central Government of the type contemplated by the Government. The plans sketched out in the Committee's two reports had left much of that field unexplored.

The Government hoped that a further session would enable it, if not to complete the work, at all events to make specific progress towards its completion. The Government had no definite information as to the reception of individual rulers not present at the London Conference towards the scheme of Federation.

### Hindus and Moslems.

The situation between Hindus and Moslems was a matter inherently delicate and the solution of which was primarily for Indians themselves. All that the Government could do was to reiterate what was placed in the forefront of the Prime Minister's declaration, that the new constitution must contain such guarantees as required by the minorities to protect their political liberties and rights. That was one of the basic conditions on which not only the Government but all parties of the Conference took their stand.

Time was much too short since Lord Irwin's conversations with Gandhi to form any competent opinion of the effect of the agreement on trade movements, and he had no reason to think that this undertaking was being disregarded. Although certain difficulties had arisen which were receiving the attention of the Government of

## POLICEMEN FOUND IN OPIUM DIVAN.

Three to Be Dealt With Departmentally?

BAIL ESTREATED.

Three Shantung policemen and a Chinese district watchman were arrested in an opium divan at 14, Hing Heung Lane, during a raid carried out by revenue officers last night on the first floor. Others were also taken into custody.

When the case was mentioned before Mr. Schofield in the Central Magistracy this morning, it was stated that the principal offender was absent and his bail of \$700 was accordingly estreated. Another smoker of the drug, who absented himself, had his bail of \$3 estreated.

### Youth Cautioned.

Revenue Officer Ward said that the divan was on the first and second floors. A youth was employed to collect money from consumers on the first floor and obtain the opium from the master on the floor above. The youth, who was charged in Court, was cautioned by the Magistrate, whilst an elderly Chinese who admitted a charge of having smoked the drug was fined \$2.

It was intimated by Mr. Ward that the policemen and district watchman will probably be dealt with departmentally.

## TOLL OF 'QUAKE.

OVER 1,000 PERSONS KILLED AND INJURED.

Moscow, Yesterday. At least 392 persons were killed and 800 injured by the earthquake in the Caucasus. The districts of Gersusy and Sisiana suffered very severely, and the majority of the villages in the region of Zangezur were destroyed. Many cattle perished. The Soviet has assigned 2,000,000 roubles for the relief of sufferers.

### Earlier Cable.

Over a hundred people are reported to have been killed and injured in an earthquake in three districts of the Soviet Republic of Nakhichevan, in Trans-Caucasia. Several villages were completely destroyed, and in others more than half the houses were wrecked. The Trans-Caucasian Government is taking vigorous measures for the relief of the sufferers.—Reuter.

India. The open preaching of boycott of British goods as a political weapon had ceased.

Regarding the political situation, while there was a definite improvement in the Bombay Presidency, the position in the United Provinces and the Punjab was less satisfactory.—British Wireless Service.

London, Yesterday. Sixty Conservative Peers and Members of the House of Commons, including Lord Peel, Sir Samuel Hoare, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, and other ex-Ministers, assembled in the House of Commons to-day and received a deputation from Lancashire regarding India and the cotton trade.

A letter from Mr. Stanley Baldwin was read in which he said that the "Conservative Party must judge how far it is possible to achieve the federal idea without surrendering any essential safeguards which are clearly stated and which we consider fundamental to any future settlement. The Party intends to use its fullest influence to support British traders, and insist that any settlement of the Indian situation should have the fundamental provision of prohibiting unfair discrimination against British trade."

Members of the deputation asked the Conservative Party's assistance on the ground that the British and Indian Governments had "failed to protect the cotton industry."

Mr. Demetriadi (of the Indian section of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce) describing the boycott of British goods in India, declared that unless the Government dealt both with the boycott and the import duty, the British textile trade with India would certainly end.

Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Samuel Hoare assured the deputation of the Conservatives' sympathy and support. The deputation later saw Liberal politicians. (Continued on Page 12.)

## ATTACK ON ATTEMPT TO REDUCE WAGES.

Reducing Purchasing Power of Nation.

CURE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT.

Atlantic City, Yesterday. A vigorous attack on the attempts to reduce the workers' wages was made by Mr. Robert Lamont, Secretary of Commerce, in opening the session of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Lamont pointed out that the most prosperous period of the United States history coincided with higher wages and shorter hours. He declared that the unemployment of millions of workers during the past year had reduced the Nation's purchasing power by thousands of millions of dollars, and if the incomes of those still employed were reduced by only 10 per cent, the loss of consuming power would amount to several more thousands of millions of dollars.

Mr. Lamont was sceptical of the efficacy of Government expenditure as a cure for unemployment, saying that though the expenditure of \$1,000,000,000 in a year would be helpful, it could not materially affect the situation. — Reuter's American Service.

## K.C.C. DEBENTURES.

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING.

DELAYED SCHEME.

The Chief Justice, Sir Joseph H. Kemp, this morning, granted an application made by Mr. Leo d'Almada Jnr., on behalf of the Kowloon Cricket Club, for an extension of seven days from date in which to file with the Registrar particulars of a Debenture issue (\$5,000 at \$10 each).

It was explained by counsel that the resolution authorising the issue was passed at an extraordinary general meeting of members on August 22, 1930. Nothing further was done in the matter of registration, through inadvertence, until the attention of the President was officially called to the matter.

There had been some difficulty at one time with regard to the building scheme, and it looked as if the matter would be shelved and the money returned to the debenture holders. Later, it was decided to go on with the work, and the present application was put forward with that point in mind.

His Lordship was of opinion that the reason for not applying in October last was not a good one. The debentures had been issued, and there was an immediate obligation to register.

Mr. d'Almada said that the matter had been discussed with the Registrar, and his clients thought they were now adopting the proper course. He would take note of any direction His Lordship cared to make.

The order for extension was granted.

## SCHNEIDER TROPHY.

ITALY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE.

DELAY IN DELIVERY.

Rugby, Yesterday. Signor Balbo, the Italian Air Minister, speaking in the Italian Chamber, stated that it is doubtful if Italy would participate this year in the Schneider Trophy contest owing to the delay in delivery of seaplanes and engines by the constructors. It, however, prospects held even a slight chance of success, Italy would participate. Twelve high speed pilots were completely trained and could be ready at a moment's notice.—British Wireless Service.

## BRITISH BUDGET.

RESOLUTIONS AGREED TO BY HOUSE.

DEBATE ENDED.

London, Yesterday. The House of Commons has agreed to the Budget resolutions, and the debate on the Budget has ended.—Reuter.

## EGYPTIAN EXPRESS TRAGEDY.

Passengers Trapped in Blazing Coaches.

EUROPEAN INJURED.

Cairo, Yesterday. Forty-one people were burned to death or fatally injured by jumping from the train and 41 were injured in consequence of the Cairo-Alexandria express catching fire. Ten children were among the victims, all of whom were natives, except one injured Frenchwoman.

The driver was unaware that the train was alight and had travelled for several miles before a signalman warned him.—Reuter.

## MARTIAL LAW.

Barbed Wire Barricades in Shanghai.

Shanghai, To-day. The China Press has made great to-do over the cable from Hong Kong to the effect that Chen Chi-tang has petitioned the Central Government recommending the immediate release of Hu Han-min and Li Chai-sum.

The China Press Hong Kong correspondent states that Chen Ming-shu arrived in Hong Kong from Canton on Tuesday evening.

The China Press Canton correspondent states that "in view of rumours of the unauthorised mobilisation of Kwangtung provincial troops" Consular authorities in Shanghai are making all preparations for the declaration of martial law in Shanghai. The old barbed wire barricades are again in evidence.—Reuter.

## FURTHER DEFAULT OF N.S. WALES.

Payment to Be Met by the Commonwealth.

\$204,000 DUE.

Canberra, Yesterday. A further New South Wales default is announced by Mr. Lang, who has informed Mr. J. Scullin that \$28,000 due to New York by May 29 on a 4½ per cent. loan, and \$116,000 due in London by April 30 on a five per cent. loan, will not be paid.

With the difference in exchange these amounts are really much greater. The Commonwealth is meeting all payments.—Reuter.

## NEW AIR MAIL ROUTE TO INDIA.

Australian Airways to Link Up Services.

FIVE DAYS' DELIVERY.

Sydney, Yesterday. It is announced that the Australian National Airways controlled by Wing Commander Kingsford-Smith propose to establish an Australia-Calcutta mail route to link up with the service across India. It is believed that it will be possible to deliver mails to Calcutta from Port Darwin in five days.—Reuter.

Departure for Singapore. Batavia, To-day. Kingsford-Smith's Southern Cross left for Singapore at 8 a.m.—Reuter.

Earlier News. Batavia, Yesterday. Kingsford-Smith's plane, the Southern Cross, with the air mail for England, arrived here at 2.10 p.m.—Reuter.

London, Yesterday. Another attempt to demonstrate the feasibility of speeding up the Imperial air mail services is being made by Captain Neville Stack, accompanied by Mr. J. R. Chaplin. They left Lympne at daybreak to-day in an effort to fly to Australia and back in twenty-one days.—Reuter.

Bad weather on the Continent has compelled Captain Stack to return to Lympne.—Reuter.

## CASE AGAINST MRS. JENG SHEE.

Alleged Embezzlement of Gold \$25,000.

EXTRADITION SOUGHT.

Dates were fixed at the Central Police Court this morning by Mr. W. Schofield for hearing the documents read in the case in which Mrs. Jeng Shee is charged with the alleged embezzlement of Gold \$25,000 from California, and against whom the Crown is seeking extradition.

Mr. F. H. Loseby appeared for the defence, whilst Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds represented the Crown.

His Worship said that it was stated at a previous hearing that a representative of the U.S.A. Government was due in Hong Kong on May 2.

Escort Due Here. C.D.I. Reynolds replied that they had had nothing official about it, but he had read in the newspapers that Inspector Gannon (the escort) was due here on board the President Harrison on May 2.

Mr. Loseby asked for dates to be fixed for the hearing, and submitted that if the documents produced were in order the fugitive could be sent back without any question, but if the documents were not in proper order there might be some legal argument.

His Worship fixed the afternoon of Tuesday for the hearing, and remanded accused till then.

## EXPULSION ORDER FOR AMERICANS.

Seven Thousand Told to Leave Mexico.

NOT REGISTERED.

El Paso, Texas, Yesterday. Seven thousand Americans are shortly to be expelled from Mexico, according to the Texas Herald Post, as the Mexican Government has discovered that they are living in Mexico without authority, having overstayed their six months' visas without registering themselves as permanent residents.—Reuter.

## NAVAL STRENGTH.

DATA BEING STUDIED BY UNITED STATES.

RECENT NEGOTIATIONS.

Washington, Yesterday. Mr. H. L. Stimson is carefully studying data regarding the Naval negotiations recently conducted in London, Paris and Rome.—Reuter's American Service.

### Earlier News.

London, Yesterday. That the situation as regards the proposed British-Franco-Italian naval agreement has not advanced since that of a few weeks ago, is shown by a statement of Mr. Henderson at question time in the House of Commons, that the British Government is still awaiting replies from the French and Italian Governments to the British statement with reference to recent French counter proposals.

Later. A suggestion that foreign Governments, notably Italy are stealing a march on Britain by securing large foreign orders for destroyers and other light warships, by advertising the high speeds which their craft have attained, was made at question time in the Commons.

Mr. Alexander, however, was reluctant to believe that speed was the determining factor in the award of warship contracts, or that the ability of British designers to produce any desirable speed was in doubt, either here or abroad. He pointed out that all the new vessels of the British Navy had carried out their trials, including full power, to show their capacity to fulfil the conditions of their design.—Reuter.

## SIAMESE VISIT.

KING AND QUEEN VISIT PRESIDENT HOOVER.

Washington, Yesterday. Their Majesties the King and Queen of Siam paid an official visit to President Hoover at White House to-day.—Reuter's American Service.

## BOMB OUTRAGE IN YAUMATI.

Chinese Accountant Blown to Pieces.

POLITICAL MOTIVE?

One of the most daring bomb outrages ever known in the Colony, resulting in the death of a Chinese man was perpetrated in Kowloon's most crowded district at 9.50 last night. So great was the force of the explosion that the detonation was heard in the Yaumati Police Station, nearly a quarter of a mile away.

The scene of the outrage was the Peking Hotel in Pakhoi Street, and was only about 30 yards from Nathan Road. A European sergeant and a Chinese constable who were in the vicinity hurried to the scene, but on arrival found the assailants gone.

Engaged in Conversation.

The victim who was sitting in the lobby of the hotel together with five of the hotel foks and two other Chinese males, all of whom were injured, was the accountant. He was seated on a settee near the door, and it is stated, two Chinese males stopped in the doorway, one of whom engaged the accountant in conversation, while the other, who stood in the rear, took the pin from the bomb and threw it into the room.

The bomb fell at the feet of a man who was seated at the side of the accountant, and who had a miraculous escape from being blown to pieces. The explosion broke several windows and mirrors and most of the furniture was damaged by flying splinters. One splinter flew across the room, took a leg off the table, passed through a brass cuspidor and lodged in the wall. Where the bomb fell on the floor there is scarcely any damage, only one or two tiles being cracked.

### Lights Undamaged.

None of the lights in the room was damaged, in spite of the fact that the explosion took place almost immediately under a chandelier. The clock on the wall also remained untouched.

The name of the dead man is Liu Wan-sang, age 32; and the injured are P. C. Leo, Manager and part owner of the Hotel (40), Ip Ling-shao (18) cook, Chung Yam-hin (49) licensee of the hotel, Liu Kam (58) money changer of 55, Austin Road, Fung Yan (29) residing 53, Yee Chow Street, Man Lai-fong (39) residing at 171, Tung Tsai Street, and Chan Muk-on (16) foki.

### Ex-Military Officer.

The name of one of the wanted men in connection with the case is given as Young Kwan-ye, aged about 40 years, and stated to be an ex-military officer, formerly on the staff of General Chan Kwong-ming. This man formerly resided at a house in Jordan Road, but moved from the premises about a month ago. His description, according to Police circular, is that he is of medium height and stout build, and was dressed in European-styled clothing. He wore a felt hat, and was a native of Wai-chow.

The second man is stated to be an unknown Chinese, dressed in dark Chinese-styled clothing. The motive for this dastardly crime is stated to be revenge upon the manager of the hotel, Li Ping-chuen (P. C. Lee) over the matter of a distress warrant issued by the Official Receiver at the Supreme Court, Hong Kong.

### RAIN LATER.

The Royal Observatory's weather report to-day states: The Northern depression has deepened and moved to the North-east of Tokyo.

The Indo-China depression has deepened slightly. A feeble anticyclone is shown over the Lower Yangtze Valley.

Forecast: — S. E. or E. winds, moderate; generally cloudy; some rain later.

Rainfall. Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day—nil. Rainfall since January 1—12.98 inches against an average of 11.51 inches—surplus 1.37 inches.

Temperature. The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

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ARTIST REFUSES TO EXPLAIN.

London, Yesterday. The incomprehensible action of a well-known artist in submitting his original works for hanging in the annual Royal Academy Exhibition what were really painted-over photographs, has created a great sensation.

The incident is all the more extraordinary in view of the fact that the artist, whom a Royal Academy communique describes as "an Englishman of international repute," was a candidate for election as an Associate Member.

An official statement says "The discovery was made at one of the two meetings called last week and attended by Academicians and Associates to choose additional Associates. Sir William Llewellyn, the President, then asked the gathering to view one of three pictures submitted for the annual Exhibition, which opens on May 4, by an aspiring Associate."

"On examination, they found that it was an enlarged photograph painted over thickly with oil paint. The artist's candidature was immediately withdrawn and his pictures returned."

The statement adds that there was no question of Sir William Llewellyn vetoing the artist's election (as an evening paper asserted) as there had been no election.

Artist's Suspicion.

Later.

Sir William Llewellyn, in an interview, said that during the election last week an Academician mentioned the suspicion that the works of the artist concerned had a photographic base.

He did not say anything until after the election. The artist polled an insufficient number of votes at the election, after which Sir William Llewellyn requested members of the Council to view one of the three suspected pictures, all of which were already hung.

It was discovered that they consisted of sensitive films on canvas with the pictures painted on top. The oil paint was so light on the one which first attracted notice that the photograph was apparent.

The artist was afforded an immediate opportunity of explanation but did not avail himself of the offer.—Reuter.

"Culprit Explains.

London, To-day.

The name of the artist concerned in the Royal Academy sensation is given in the newspapers as Reginald G. Eves, a well-known portrait painter.

The artist, in an interview, explained that he used photographs in order to save time because he developed severe neuritis in the right hand and feared he would be unable to complete the pictures, which were painted last year for the exhibition of his work in London. He did not know then that this method was contrary to the rules of the Royal Academy. He did not intend to deceive the Council of the Royal Academy.—Reuter.

Mr. George Bronson Rea, publisher of the Far Eastern Review, left Shanghai on April 21 by the Shanghai Maru.

specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—	
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Macao	76
Pratas Island	72
Manila	76
Foochow	62
Shanghai	56
Chefoo	54







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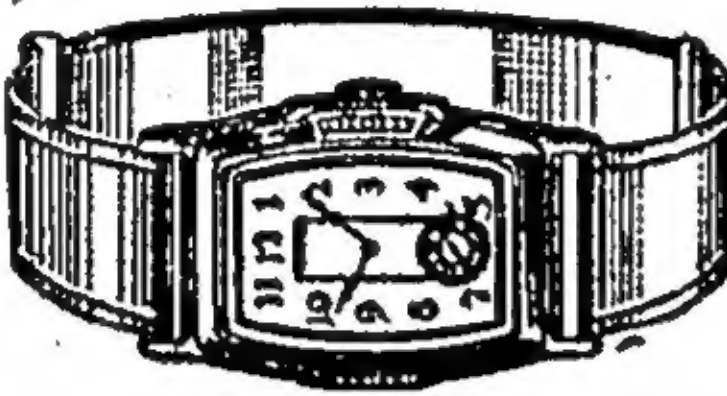
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THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE  
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ther permitting) at Happy Valley  
on SATURDAY, 2nd May, 1931,  
commencing at 2 p.m.  
The first bell will be rung at  
1.30 p.m.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they  
and their ladies must wear their  
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No one without a badge will be  
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members to the Members' Enclo-  
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through the Secretary upon intro-  
duction by a member, such member  
to be responsible for payment of  
all chits, &c.  
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Enclosure will not be on sale at  
the Race Course.  
Members can obtain upon ap-  
plication to the Secretary badges  
(limited to ONE) for the free ad-  
mission to the Members' Enclosure  
of wives, lady relatives and  
friends. Names must be stated  
when applying.  
On no pretext will children be  
permitted in either Enclosure dur-  
ing the Meeting.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of admission to the  
Public Enclosure is \$2 includ-  
ing tax, for all persons includ-  
ing ladies and is payable at the  
Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform  
are admitted half price.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, &c.,  
will not be permitted to operate  
within the precincts of the Hong  
Kong Jockey Club during the Race  
Meeting.

Tiffin will be obtainable in the  
Restaurant in the Public Enclo-  
sure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 25th April, 1931.

RENEGADES  
COMING? ? ?

RADIO  
TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will  
be broadcast to-day from the  
Hong Kong Broadcasting Station  
Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 353  
metres.

6-8 p.m.—European Programme  
of Victor & H.M.V. Records kin-  
dly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie  
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6-6.30 p.m.—Variety.

Orchestral—  
Love Sends a Little Gift of Roses  
(Openshaw),  
Victor Novelty Orchestra  
(22324).

Humorous Song—  
And Then He Took up Golf,  
Frank-Crumit (22323).

Instrumental Trio—  
Blue Piano Stomp,  
Blue Clarinet Stomp,  
Johnny Dods' Trio (21554).

Male Chorus—  
Ducky Stevedore,  
Blue Shadows,  
The Revellers (21765).

Organ Solo—  
Just a Memory,  
Jesse Crawford (21053).

Male Trio—  
Bye Bye Sweetheart,  
The Melody Three (21911).

6.30-7.10 p.m.—Orchestral.

Dance of the Hours (Ponchielli),  
Victor Symphony Orchestra  
(35833).

A Night in Vienna (Schaffer-Paepeke),  
A Night in Budapest  
(Schaffer-Paepeke).

Hungarian Rhapsody Orch.  
(35836).

The Sorcerer's Apprentice  
(Paul Dukas),  
Philharmonic Symphony  
Orchestra (7021).

Afternoon of a Faun (Debussy),  
Philadelphia Symphony  
Orchestra (6699).

7.10-7.24 p.m.—Pianoforte Solos.

Sonata Appassionata in F Minor  
(Beethoven),  
Capriccio in E Minor (Brahms),  
Harold Bauer (6697).

7.24-8 p.m.—A Selection of  
Stephen Foster's Melodies played  
by Nat Shilkret conducting the  
Victor Salon Group (C2).

Open Thy Lattice Love, Uncle Ned;  
Village Maiden; Beautiful Dreamer;  
Ring De Banjo; Oh! Lemuel; Nelly  
Bly; Oh! Boys; Carry Me 'long;  
Louisiana Belle; De Campdown Races;  
Nelly Was a Lady; Jeanie with the  
Light Brown Hair; Oh Susanna;  
Come Where My Love Lies Dream-  
ing; Hard Times Come Again No  
More; Angelina Baker; Gentle Annie;  
Old Dog Tray; Some Folks Like to  
Sigh; Old Black Joe; My Old Ken-  
tucky Home; Massa's in De Cold  
Ground; Old Folks at Home.

8 p.m.—Local Time, Weather  
Report, etc.

8.05-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio  
Concert.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

Mr. N. L. Sparke has resigned  
his seat on the Board of Directors  
of the Shanghai Greyhound Rac-  
ing Association.

## ROUND THE CINEMAS

AMUSING INCIDENTS IN  
PARIS.

"Those Three French Girls,"  
which Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer will  
present to-day at the Queen's  
Theatre for three days, might well  
be subtitled "Making Whoopee in  
Paris," for this talkie farce con-  
tains as amusing a series of inci-  
dents connected with the French  
capital as has been shown on the  
screen in some time.

Heading the group of revellers in  
the Cosmopolitan production is  
Reginald Denny, who, as the sport-  
ing nephew of a wealthy British  
peer, makes the rounds of the  
Parisian pleasure resorts and re-  
turns to his uncle's home with an  
ill-assorted group of companions,  
including the piquant girl Dorsay,  
with whom he has fallen in love;  
two American ex-doughboys in the  
persons of Cliff (Ukulele Ike)

Edwards and Edward Brophy and  
their two girl friends, portrayed  
by Yola d'Avril and Sandra Ravel.

The unfortunate uncle (George  
Grossmith) has his hands full with  
his uninvited guests, whose  
caprices eventually land them in  
jail, but the series of complications  
are finally unravelled and all ends  
well.

The story is the joint work of  
Dale Van Every and Arthur Freed,  
with dialogue by that wittiest of  
humorists, P. G. Wodehouse.

Harry Beaumont, who scored with  
"The Flamingo Girl" and "Our  
Blushing Brides," directed and is  
said to have outdone himself in  
the matter of lavish scenes and  
sparkling situations.

"THE LIGHT OF WESTERN  
STARS."

Richard Arlen is seen as a  
swaggering, bragging and wholly  
lovable lover in his featured role in  
"The Light of Western Stars,"  
which opened at the Central  
Theatre last night for a three  
days' run. With a part closely  
resembling his inimitable role in  
"The Virginian," Arlen gives a  
great portrayal in this Zane Grey  
outdoor action-romance.

Mary Brian is the heroine of  
this thrilling story and she is here  
every bit as sweet as she was in  
"The Virginian," or in "Burning  
Up," in which she was seen with  
Arlen recently. The story is ex-  
citing and fast-moving, and re-  
plete with spectacular scenes, such  
as a gigantic wild horse stampede  
which would be hard to match for  
realism and startling beauty.

"The Light of Western Stars" in  
novel form was one of the best-  
sellers of the year. Paramount  
has captured the true spirit of the

moving story. Arlen, a young  
cattle foreman, in a moment of  
desperation, vows to marry the  
first white woman he meets. That  
woman happens to be Mary Brian,  
who resents his insult. In a suc-  
cession of adventurous events,  
Arlen manages to offset his initial  
poor impression and wins the  
girl.

There are several excellent  
humorous roles in the story, por-  
trayed by Harry Green, whose  
dialect comedy is funnier than  
ever in this strange setting, and  
by William LeMaire, the garrulous  
sentinel of "Only the Brave."

Fred Kohler furnishes the thrills  
as the bad man who comes between  
Arlen and his girl.

"The Light of Western Stars" is  
well worth seeing for its romance,  
its thrills, its spectacle, or its  
humour, but chiefly, we recommend  
it for its great all-around enter-  
tainment.

## "NEW MOON."

A singing lesson by two of the  
world's greatest singers is one of  
the novelties of "New Moon,"  
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer talkie ro-  
mance of adventure and intrigue,  
which will be the feature in the  
Queen's Theatre starting on Sun-  
day.

Lawrence Tibbett and Grace  
Moore, who are co-starred, use a  
singing lesson for a comedy scene,  
but give an actual lesson which  
even an advanced music student  
would appreciate although they  
use it for laughing purposes. Tib-  
bett plays the pupil and Miss  
Moore the teacher. They ought to  
know what music lessons are all  
about since they are both celebra-  
ted Metropolitan opera stars as well  
as film favourites.

Jack Conway directed "New  
Moon" from an adaptation of the  
stage version. In the supporting  
cast are Adolphe Menjou, Roland  
Young, Gus Shy, and Emily  
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BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.	Shunko Maru	Tues., 6th May
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA via Singapore & Colombo.	Mexico Maru	Tues., 6th May
MELBOURNE via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Melbourne Maru	Wed., 6th May
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Rangoon.	Seattle Maru	Sat., 2nd May
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Japan Ports.	Kinal Maru	Mon., 1st June
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama.	Madras Maru	Sat., 9th May
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TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Fortnightly).	Deli Maru	Thurs., 21st May

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Ellis Bennett, Kowloon, from Yokohama.  
Scanlon, Peninsula Hotel, from Shanghai.  
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Chien Yu-ming, Kowloon Hotel, from Tientsin.  
Jullung, from Shanghai.  
F. V. JENSEN, Superintendent.  
Hong Kong, April 29, 1931.

# Shipping Intelligence.

## SHIPPING TAX.

### RECENT DECISION OF TURKISH GOVERNMENT.

The decision of the Turkish Government to impose a tax of five piastres on all cargo ships proceeding to the Black Sea in order to improve the country's life-saving service is, perhaps, not so unwelcome as most taxes which have to be borne by ships running to the Eastern Mediterranean and Black Sea, but it is a 100 per cent. increase on the present impost, states the Journal of Commerce.

The Turkish organisation for rescuing shipwrecked mariners first came up for discussion in 1866, and in consequence of the steps taken by foreign shipping interests in Constantinople was established in 1869. This organisation was paid for by a special tax of 15 paras per ton from each ship of over five tons leaving the Black Sea. This was increased to 20 paras a ton, and in 1920 to 100 paras. Even that was not sufficient, but only on ships leaving the Black Sea. In 1923 the life-boat service became part of the Treasury.

With this money a number of stations have been established along the European and Anatolian coast, some of them being fitted with lifeboats, and all with rocket apparatus. The lightservice round the entrance to the Bosphorus is an integral part of the arrangement, and it must be said to the credit of the Turkish Government that within the last few years they have made every effort to make it as efficient as possible, enlisting the services of one of the principal Dutch experts on rocket and lifeboat work. In the batch of wrecks which recently occurred round the mouth of Dardanelles, the Turkish Life-saving Service were responsible for a number of rescues.

## ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Tuesday, April 28.	Benrines, British str., 3,071 tons, Capt. Reddle, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Thursday, April 30.	Chungkong, Chinese str., 447 tons, Capt. Kwok Shau, from Tauran, buoy No. B18.—Yau Lee & Co.
Friday, May 1.	Groningen, Dutch str., 762 tons, Capt. J. H. Kop, from Halphong, A.P.C. Wharf.—A.P.C. Haining, British str., 832 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.
Saturday, May 2.	Halvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. A. Hall, from Saigon, buoy No. B21.—Wo Fat Sing.
Sunday, May 3.	Hozan Maru, Japanese str., 1,383 tons, Capt. H. Oyama, from Swatow, O. S. K. Wharf.—O.S.K.
Monday, May 4.	Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Captain P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.
Tuesday, May 5.	Java, Danish str., 5,525 tons, Capt. A. Hjermum, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—John Manners & Co.
Wednesday, May 6.	Marly, Norwegian str., 657 tons, Capt. Havland, from Manila, Yau-mati Anchorage.—K. Larsen & Co.
Thursday, May 7.	Nellore, British str., 4,266 tons, Captain S. L. Diamond, from Moji, Kowloon Dock.—M. M. & Co.
Friday, May 8.	Penang Maru, Japanese str., 3,280 tons, Capt. S. Hamaguchi, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.
Saturday, May 9.	Sumatra, Swedish str., 5,063 tons, Captain W. E. Borgeud, from Manila, buoy No. A11.—Gilman & Co.
Sunday, May 10.	Sunning, British str., 1,870 tons, Capt. G. A. Evans, from Swatow, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.
Monday, May 11.	Tjikembang, Dutch str., 6,020 tons, Capt. P. Abbo, from Muntok, buoy No. A4.—J.C.J.L.
Tuesday, May 12.	Telhan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. Shaw, from Canton, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Chang Chao-hsiang, chief of detectives of the Chinese territory water police, was arraigned before Judge Wu in the Shanghai District Court, Nantao, on April 21 on a charge of murdering a boatman. As several important witnesses failed to appear, a remand was ordered.

## U.S. SHIPYARDS.

### 27 LARGE VESSELS UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

Conditions in the shipbuilding industry in the United States are much more encouraging than at any time since the end of the post-war boom, according to Captain C. A. McAllister, president of the American Bureau of Shipping. The indications are, he said, that the industry will continue its present rate of activity for several years to come.

Referring to the award by the Eastern Steamship Lines of a contract for construction by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co., of two 22-knot passenger and cargo steamers at a cost of about \$3,500,000 (\$700,000) each Captain McAllister pointed out that returns compiled by the bureau showed 27 ocean-going and Great Lakes vessels of 325,400 tons gross register under construction in U.S. yards on March 1. On the same date there were under construction 122 miscellaneous vessels such as ferries, barges, tugboats, trawlers, lighters and yachts. These vessels bring the total under construction up to 149 vessels of 428,748 gross tons.

The larger vessels under construction include the two 30,000-ton cabin ships being built for the United States Lines by the New York Shipbuilding Co.; the Dollar Line's two 21,000-ton turbo-electric liners, President Hoover and President Coolidge, now being completed at Newport News; the Matson Navigation Co.'s three 18,500-ton passenger liners, the Mariposa, Monterey and Lurline, being built by the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation at Fore River, and the four 19,500-ton passenger liners ordered by the Grace Steamship Co. from the Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.

The vessels of less than 10,000 gross tons include five 9,000-ton tankers ordered by the Motor Tankship Corporation and one of the same size ordered by the Standard Transportation Co., from the Sun Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.; two 9,400-ton passenger and cargo liners, the Exeter and Excambion, ordered by the Export Steamship Corporation from the New York Shipbuilding Co.; three 7,000-ton turbo-electric passenger and cargo ships, ordered by the United Mail Co., a subsidiary of the United Fruit Co., from the Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. Others in the list are the 6,100-ton tanker Hary F. Sinclair, Jr., being built for the Sinclair Navigation Co., by the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation at Fore River; and the 5,000-ton passenger steamer Florida, being built for the Peninsular and Occidental Steamship Co., by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.

## WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:  
Bruce—West wall.  
Hermes—In Dock.  
Medway—No. 1 buoy.  
Odin—East wall.  
Fandora—No. 1 buoy.  
Proteus—No. 1 buoy.  
Sandwich—South wall.  
Somme—South wall.  
Sirdar—West wall.  
Tamar—Basin.  
Tarantula—North wall.  
Thracian—West wall.  
Vindictive—North arm.  
Foreign Men-of-War.  
Argus—French gunboat.  
Adamastor—Portuguese cruiser.  
Helena—American gunboat.

## P. & O. DIVIDEND.

London, Yesterday.  
The P. & O. Steam Navigation Company has declared an interim dividend of 2½ per cent. tax free.  
—Reuter.

## CHINA COAST.

### LATEST CHANGES IN SHIPPING PERSONNEL.

Mr. A. Stephenson, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Kaying.  
Mr. F. J. Gregg, chief officer, Kaying, is on reserve.  
Mr. J. Paterson, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Wusueh.  
Mr. C. Winterbottom, second officer, Hanyang, has gone third officer, Anhui.

Mr. T. W. Scott, third officer, Anhui, has gone second officer, Hanyang.

Mr. J. G. R. Gow, sup'y. second officer, Tungchow, has gone sup'y second officer, Wanliu.

Mr. P. F. de Freitas, chief officer, Tungchow, is on reserve.  
Mr. E. M. Swan, sup'y chief officer, Hsin Peking, has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. F. C. Webb, second officer, Fengtien, has gone second officer, Woosung.

Mr. J. Ellam, has been appointed sup'y second officer, Fengtien.

Mr. S. Steele, sup'y second officer, Tean, has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. W. Forrester, chief officer, Tean, has gone chief officer, Tai-yuan.

Mr. D. Wilson, chief officer, Tai-yuan, has gone Master, Wantung.

Mr. A. Swanson, second officer, Shengking, has gone acting chief officer, Wantung.

Mr. J. C. Williams, sup'y second officer, Fengtien, has gone second officer, Shengking.

Captain J. Beck, from Poyang, has gone Master, Wuchang.

Captain R. H. G. Ashby, from reserve, has gone Master, Hsin Peking.

Captain J. K. Clark, Master of the Hsin Peking, is on reserve.

Captain F. Gibbs, Master of the Luchow, is on reserve.

Mr. W. J. King, chief officer Suiyang, has gone Master, Luchow.

Mr. R. A. Kneen, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chipping.

Mr. H. M. Neilsen, second officer, Chipping, has gone acting chief officer, Yusang.

Mr. E. T. Griffith, chief officer, Yusang, is on reserve.

Mr. W. A. Wickham, second officer, Kutsang, has gone third officer, Fooshing.

Mr. H. R. Cooper, from reserve, has gone third officer, Waishang.

Mr. D. E. Kermod, second officer, Kiawo, has gone second officer, Fuhwo.

Mr. H. A. Whittle, second officer, Fuhwo, has gone second officer, Kiawo.

Captain W. G. Briggs, Master of the Ah Kwang, is on reserve.

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Captain W. Sudbury, from Shu Kwang, has gone Master Ah Kwang.

Captain G. Wilson, from reserve, has gone Master, Tienkwang.

Mr. W. Scott, from leave, has gone third engineer officer, Chusan.

Mr. C. Duff, third engineer officer, Chusan, is on leave.

Mr. W. M. Back, from shore, has gone acting third engineer officer, Luchow.

Mr. D. G. Evans, sup'y second engineer officer, Soochow, has been transferred to Amoy.

Mr. A. Jeffrey, chief engineer officer, Wanhsien, has gone chief engineer officer, Nanchang.

Mr. A. Campbell, chief engineer officer, Nanchang, has gone chief engineer officer, Wuhu.

Mr. J. W. S. Hood, chief engineer officer, Wuhu, has gone chief engineer officer, Tean.

Mr. G. W. Clark, chief engineer officer, Tean, has gone acting chief engineer officer, Wanhsien.

Mr. D. Warden, chief engineer officer, from reserve, is on Home leave.

Mr. D. I. Greer, third engineer officer, Changchow, has gone third engineer officer, Tungchow.

Mr. R. L. Sweet, third engineer officer, Fengtien, has gone third engineer officer, Changchow.

Mr. J. S. MacDonald third engineer officer, Luchow, has gone acting second engineer officer, Ichang.

Mr. F. G. Hudson, second engineer officer, Ichang, is on leave.

Mr. C. Moore, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Leesang.

Mr. T. Roberts, second engineer officer, Leesang, is on leave.

Mr. G. T. Staffalchuk, third engineer officer, Kwalsang, has gone third engineer officer, Loongwo.

Mr. W. W. Hamlyn, third engineer officer, Loongwo, has gone third engineer officer, Kwalsang.

Mr. J. A. Galbraith, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Kungwo.

Mr. H. Rowe, second engineer officer, Kungwo, has gone third engineer officer, same ship.



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Empress of Asia	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 22	June 22
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Empress of Japan	July 18	July 21	July 23	July 25	July 31	Aug. 5
Empress of Asia	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	Aug. 17	Aug. 17
Empress of Canada	Aug. 15	Aug. 18	Aug. 20	Aug. 22	Aug. 30	Aug. 30
Empress of Russia	Aug. 28	Aug. 31	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 14	Sept. 14
Empress of Japan	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 17	Sept. 19	Sept. 27	Sept. 27
Empress of Asia	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	Oct. 12	Oct. 12
Empress of Canada	Oct. 10	Oct. 13	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	Oct. 25
Empress of Russia	Oct. 23	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Oct. 31	Nov. 9	Nov. 9
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### INWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30

Shanghai and Amoy ..... Nan Chang

FRIDAY, MAY 1.

Shanghai ..... Soudan

Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia

(London, April 11) ..... Terukuni Maru

London Parcels (London, March 26) and

Straits ..... Sarpedon

Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Van-

couver, B.C., April 12) ..... Empress of Russia

SATURDAY, MAY 2.

Shanghai and Swatow ..... Sinkiang

U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San

Francisco, April 3) and \*Europe via

Siberia (London, April 13) ..... President Harrison

Manila ..... President Lincoln

Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers,

London, April 2) ..... Katori Maru

SUNDAY, MAY 3.

Dalren and Amoy ..... Tjileboet

### OUTWARD MAILS.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30

Saigon ..... Solviken ..... 3.30 p.m.

Samshui and Wuchow ..... Sun Ning ..... 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 1.

\*Manila, Rabaul, Australia and

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*KALYAN	5,144	9th May	Marsa, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*COMORIN	15,132	23rd May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*BURWAN	—	30th May	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*ALHORE	5,271	2nd June	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
*KASHMIR	4,905	6th June	Marsa, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*RANPURA	15,091	20th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KASHGAR	9,005	4th July	Marseilles, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*KAWALPINDI	16,619	18th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*PERIM	5,018	25th July	Marseilles, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*KHYBER	9,111	1st Aug.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*SOMALI	—	4th Aug.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*RAJPUTANA	14,568	15th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*PADUA	5,499	22nd Aug.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*KARMALA	9,128	29th Aug.	Marseilles, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*CATHAY	15,121	12th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SUDAN	—	19th Sept.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*KALYAN	9,144	26th Sept.	Marseilles & London.

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London via Panama Canal.

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TILAWA	10,006	8th May	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHMIR	8,985	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,959	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RANPURA	15,091	22nd May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	25th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	4th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	5th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHYBER	4,500	5th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	7,748	10th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	18th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	18th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SOMALI	7,745	2nd July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SIRHANNA	9,114	3rd July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHYBER	6,853	6th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	6,853	6th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,000	10th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	15,589	17th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	30th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KARMALA	9,128	31st July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NANKIN	7,058	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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## DOLLAR LINERS.

THE HOOVER AND THE  
COOLIDGE.

Mr. R. Stanley Dollar recently  
announced that Captain Fred E.  
Anderson has been appointed Com-  
mander of the new Dollar Liner  
President Hoover.

A further announcement by Mr.  
R. Stanley Dollar notifies the  
appointment of Captain K. A.  
Ahlin as Master of the new Dollar  
Liner President Coolidge. For the  
past several years, Captain Ahlin  
has been in command of the Pre-  
sident Taft of the trans-Pacific  
service of the Dollar Steamship  
Line. Prior to that, he was master  
of the President Hayes of the Dol-  
lar Line Round-the-World service.  
He is one of the most efficient and  
popular skippers of the Dollar Line  
fleet and his many friends all  
around the world will rejoice to  
know that he has been appointed  
to command the President  
Coolidge.

The building programme of the  
Dollar Steamship Line provides  
for a fleet of new steamers to be  
used in their various services, the  
first of which, the President  
Hoover, which was launched at  
Newport News on December 9 last,  
was christened by Mrs. Herbert  
Hoover with a bottle of waters col-  
lected from the seven seas by com-  
manders of Dollar Line vessels.

The President Coolidge was  
launched at Newport News, Va., on  
February 21 last by Mrs. Calvin  
Coolidge, wife of the former Pre-  
sident of the United States.

The President Hoover and her  
sister ship, the President Coolidge,  
are the largest electric liners in  
the world, and have also the dis-  
tinction of being the largest ships  
to be constructed in America. The  
cost of these steamers is  
\$8,800,000 each.

The following are some of the  
particulars and dimensions of  
these vessels:—  
Displacement tonnage 33,700 tons  
Gross tonnage 23,000 tons  
Length 653 feet  
Beam 81 feet  
Depth 52 feet  
Luxurious accommodations are  
provided for a total passenger  
carrying capacity, all classes, of  
1260, and crew accommodation for  
300. The sea speed of these two  
new liners will be 21 knots.

The President Hoover will begin  
her maiden voyage from New York  
on August 6, arriving in Hong  
Kong on September 21, while the  
President Coolidge will begin her  
maiden voyage from New York on  
October 21, arriving in Hong Kong  
on November 16, and both of these  
new steamers will be employed in  
the Dollar Steamship Line trans-  
Pacific Service operating between  
New York and Manila, making the  
ports of call en route of Manila,  
Hong Kong, Shanghai, Kobe, Yoko-  
hama, Honolulu, San Francisco;  
thence to New York via the  
Panama Canal, making stops at the  
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tobal (Panama Canal Zone),  
Havana (Cuba).

## CRUISER SHORTAGE.

Not Building Even Up To Treaty  
Standard.

Lord Lloyd, speaking at a  
meeting of the Brighton and  
Hove Branch of the Navy League  
discussed the question, "Are the  
Government and the Admiralty  
providing us with a Navy ade-  
quate to protect our Empire, to  
defend our sea routes?"

According to Lord Beatty and  
Lord Jellicoe, he said, the mini-  
mum number of cruisers ade-  
quate for work with the Battle  
Fleet and for the protection of  
our sea routes was 70.

The Government, in the Naval  
Treaty, had reduced this to 50,  
and at the present rate of pro-  
gress in 1936 there would be  
barely 39 effective cruisers, in-  
stead of 114 as at the outbreak of  
the war.

During the war we had 382  
effective destroyers and some 120  
additional older and smaller craft.  
At the present rate of building,  
instead of 382 we should have  
only 75. We were not even build-  
ing up to the limit allowed under  
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Even under the Treaty, we  
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where delivery can be obtained as soon  
as the goods are landed.

No claims will be admitted after the  
goods have left the Godowns, and all  
goods remaining undelivered after the  
5th May, 1931, at 4 p.m. will be  
subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged  
goods are to be left in the Godown,  
where they will be examined by  
Messrs. Anderson & Ashie on the  
4th May, 1931, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must  
be presented to the Underwriter before  
the 8th May, 1931, or they will not  
be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
Bills of Lading will be counter-  
signed by

JOHN MANNERS & CO., LTD.

Agents.  
Hong Kong, 29th April, 1931.

## PASSENGER LIST.

### DEPARTURES.

Per m.s. Chichibu Maru for San  
Francisco via Shanghai and Japan  
ports on April 29:—

Miss W. Roberson, Miss M. Ellis,  
T. E. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. H.  
Priestly, Miss M. White, C. Mellis,  
Mr. and Mrs. R. Corrie, Mr. and  
Mrs. C. E. H. Beavis, Miss Beavis,  
E. O. Cumming, Miss Mabel Bond,  
Hohn Stenersen, Mr. and Mrs. J. J.  
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& Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon,  
whence and/or from the wharves deli-  
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here, unless notice has been given 48  
hours prior to vessel's arrival, but  
carried on from port to port to the  
final port of call to which the option  
extends.

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Goods have left the Godown, and all  
Goods remaining undelivered after the  
4th May will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must  
be presented to the Underwriter on or  
before the 14th May, or they will not  
be recognised.

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Goods are to be left in the Godowns,  
where they will be examined on the  
2nd and 4th May, at 10 a.m. by our  
surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersig-  
ned by

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.  
Hong Kong, 28th April, 1931.

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ed at their risk into the Godowns of  
The Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf &  
Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or  
from the wharves delivery may be ob-  
tained.

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Goods have left the Godowns, and all  
Goods remaining undelivered after the  
6th May, 1931, will be subject to  
rent.

All claims against the steamer must  
be presented to the Underwriter on or  
before the 20th May, 1931, or they  
will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged  
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,  
where they will be examined on the  
5th May, 1931, at 10 a.m. by Messrs.  
Goddard & Douglas.

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ned by


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Hong Kong, 28th April, 1931.

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Baron Blythwood are reminded to  
take delivery of their goods which  
will be subject to rent after May 4.

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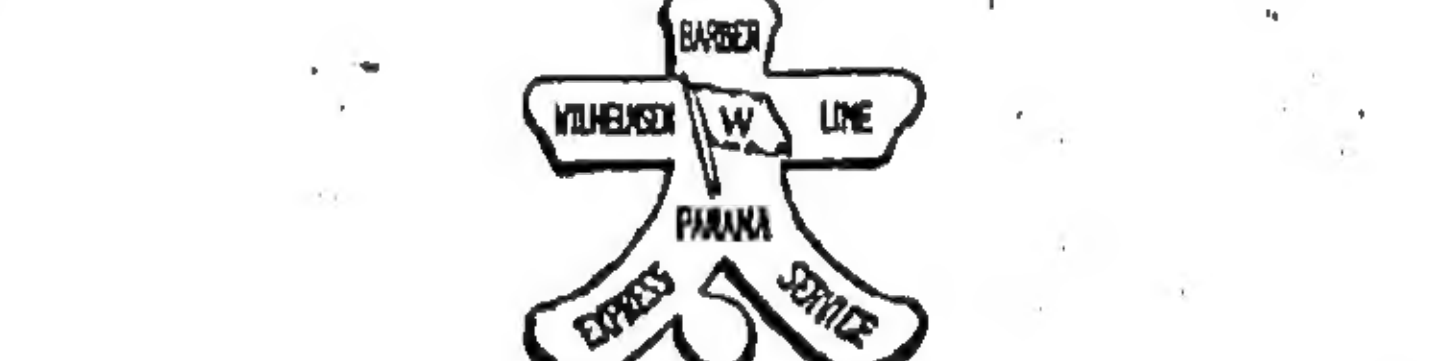


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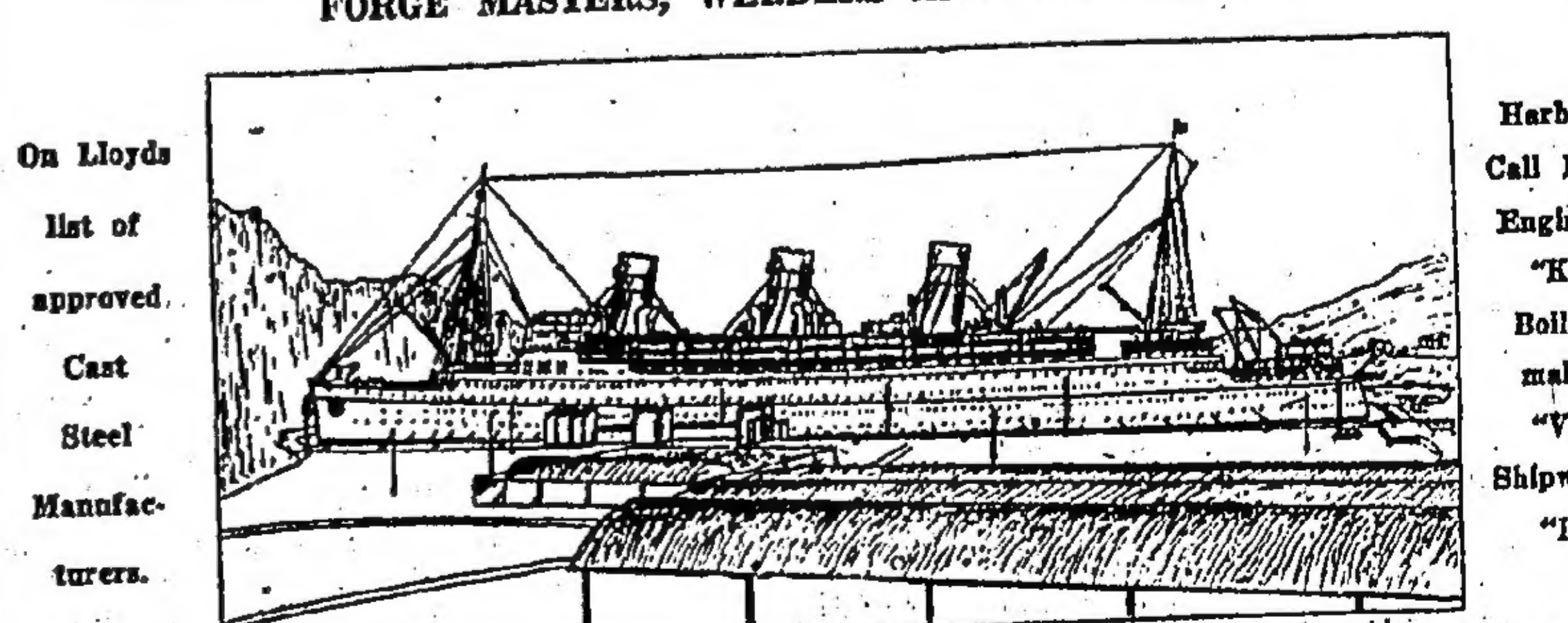
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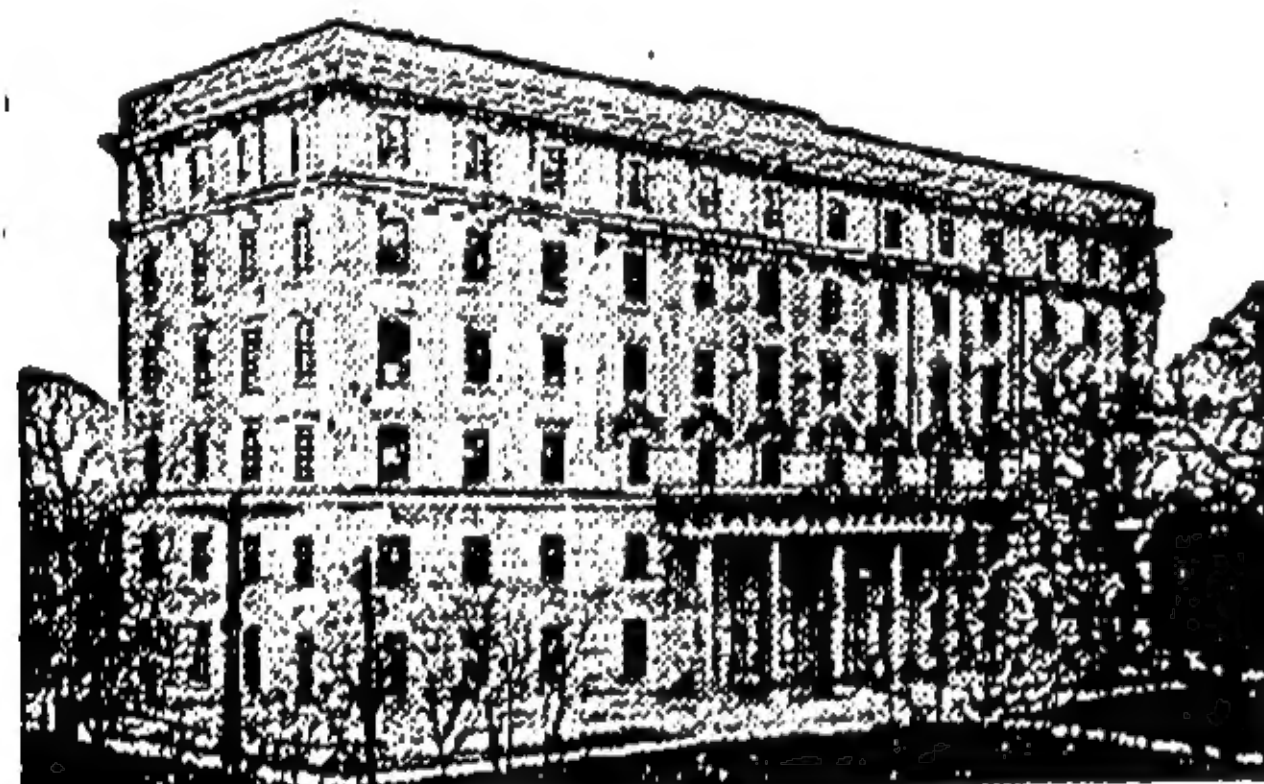
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## Case for Reduction.

In the news columns of the China Mail to-day we publish the report of an address delivered in Atlantic City yesterday before the Chamber of Commerce by Mr. Robert Lamont, Secretary of Commerce, in which he is given as saying that a reduction of the wages of workers in the United States would further delimit the purchasing power of the people and add a fresh burden to the heavy losses sustained by trade, due largely to unemployment.

The situation in Great Britain resembles closely that obtaining in the United States, and Mr. Lamont's criticism may be applied with equal justice to the industrial crises obtaining at home. Negotiations are still being pursued between the various trades and industries and the Government, and the decisions on a number of important questions affecting wages are being taken. In fact, it would seem that there is, if not what some Labour politicians have described as an "organised attack" on wages, at least fairly general feeling among employers, in whose demands for reductions most of these questions originate, that now if ever public opinion will support them in asking for sacrifices from labour.

Their strongest argument, of course, is that industry cannot afford the present wages. You cannot, they say, get more out of an industry than there is in it. If you try to, what there is will disappear, since the industry will be put out of business. More-

over, the cost of living at home has fallen recently so much (from 60 per cent. above 1914 at the end of February) to 50 per cent. above at the same time this year) that even if wages are cut by, say, five per cent. all round, labour will still be getting more than a year ago.

These arguments appear to us, as they stand, to be flawless, and there is much justice in their application to some industries, in which the present depression is the result of a world crisis largely due to monetary causes.

There is some justice, too, in the statement that the sheltered industries, such as transport, have profited at the expense of those which have to compete in international markets, and that wages in them are unduly high in relation to the standard of living in the country at large and in the world. The argument of those who say that high wages mean more purchasing power, which is one of the strong arguments of Mr. Lamont's case against reduction, and that they are, therefore, good for industry in the long run, are sound if applied only to the whole of the world's wages. If consistently applied by any one country they would lead only to inflation and bankruptcy, and still more so if they were applied by any one industry. They cannot even be considered by Britain while she continues to compete for world trade; and it is possible that the same reason would justify reductions of the present wages in many industries, even if these industries were working as efficiently as is possible for them. Here, however, we come upon an argument which is very damaging to the employers' case. If labour is to be asked to make sacrifices, it should be made quite clear that every other means of reducing costs has first been tried or is to be tried. Unfortunately, in many of Britain's industries, and notably in some of those in which disputes are now in progress or pending, it is quite clear that they are not working anything like as efficiently as they might. The only way to make Great Britain prosperous, and thus be able to pay high wages all round, is to put her industries into a paying condition. Minimum Wage Acts will not do it, and neither will reductions of wages, unless they are accompanied by reforms which will bring Great Britain abreast of modern practice. If she could achieve that, both Acts and reductions might be desired, no longer.

## News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 74 degrees. The humidity was 89 at 10 a.m. and 78 at 4 p.m.

According to a report from the Au Tau Police Station, the body of a Chinese youth named Wan was picked up by the side of a fish pond. He had apparently been drowned.

Au Yee, a woman living at 36 Cheung Sha Wan Road, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from the effects of a drug called "Ma tsin," which she is alleged to have taken in an attempt to commit suicide.

Li Cheung, a shoemaker, of 262 Queen's Road Central, was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from a stab wound in the left side of the body, stated to have been inflicted by a man who is alleged to have absconded.

The local branch manager of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co., Toronto, received a telegram yesterday from the Head Office advising the death from heart failure on Monday of the General Manager and Vice-President, Mr. J. B. McKeechnie.

The Hong Kong Government is informed with reference to the recent announcement by the Chinese Government that foreigners entering Shanghai after May 1, 1931, will require to have Chinese visas on their passports, that this regulation will not be enforced in respect of British residents of Hong Kong.

In celebration of the birthday of His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, a reception was held by the Consul and his wife (Mr. and Mrs. T. Yoshida) at their home, No. 7A, Conduit Road, yesterday afternoon. H.E. the Governor was represented by Capt. T. A. H. Colman, A.D.C. Others present included Major General J. W. Sandilands, Captain Cameron, A.D.C., Commodore A. H. Walker, and the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern and Mrs. Southern.

Whilst a lorry, which was carrying six coolies, was proceeding along Connaught Road West, a sudden swerve near Eastern Street caused two men to fall off backward to the road. One suffered slight abrasions, whilst the other became unconscious. Both were removed to the Government Civil Hospital where, it is stated, the latter regained consciousness and both are progressing favourably. The lorry was travelling at a speed of 14 miles an hour at the time.

## THINGS THAT SPOIL COUNTRYSIDE.

## A "Devil's Catalogue" of Offences.

A "Devil's Catalogue" of things which deface the countryside was enumerated by Mr. A. B. Knapp-Fisher in a lecture to the Architectural Association in London recently.

Referring to the urgent need of arresting the daily disfigurement of the countryside, Mr. Knapp-Fisher said that builders without sense or conscience were responsible for the erection of thousands of ugly dwellings, ill-placed, completely out of harmony with their surroundings, and having all the appearance of an unsightly disease.

"No one, I suppose," he went on, "sets out governed by malice to disfigure the countryside. If it were so, the remedy would be easy—to clap all the offenders into prison."

"The cause is more insidious; it is a cause born of ignorance, of lack of education and culture, of an absence of any aesthetic sense, of a wrong scale of values—with pecuniary gain as the motive."

"The ugly resultant fact is that many of our old villages, our historic buildings, and the serene and natural charm of the most lovely country in process of being taken away from us and our children and our children's children—who cannot be blamed if they rise up and curse us for our folly."

"It is a curious paradox that the more man seeks the country, so ill does he use it that the less country is there for him to find. Men's minds can be so obscured by material and immoral conditions that they lose all sensibility to the really finer essentials of life."

"Shoddiness and Vulgarity." "It is true that we live in an age in which the clash and din of money-making, of so-called progress and competition, drown the still small voice of truth, quality and good manners; and in which the middle of beauty is lost in a haystack of rank mediocrity, shoddiness and vulgarity."

"Just as medical science tries to keep pace with bodily disease, so education, legislation, and example must keep pace with the microbes

## THE O.T.C. 'CUT' WILL NOT MATTER.

## What the Public Schools Think of It.

## PARENTS' POSITION.

Public schools throughout Britain were discussing the cut in the grants to Officers' Training Corps, that was announced by Mr. Shaw, the Minister for War, in his speech on the Army Estimates in the House of Commons.

Henceforth no boy under the age of 15 will be recognised as a member of an O.T.C., and there will be no grant for boys under 16. Boys of 16 may go to camp with the O.T.C. but no boy will be supplied with equipment until he is 16. Parents of younger boys who wish them to enter the Corps must act on their own responsibility.

"The smaller schools are the ones chiefly affected by the curtailment of the grants," said Major Haworth, commanding officer of Stowe School O.T.C. "But it is hardly likely that any of them will suffer any great reduction in numbers, for if the parents have to foot the bill entirely it only amounts to a few pounds a year."

"At Stowe our subscription is 10s. a term and 30s. for the week at camp. We also receive a grant of £1 4s. 8d. for each boy. You can see from this that if a father wishes his boy to join the Corps before he is 16 it is not going to be a very expensive luxury."

Young Boys Not Encouraged. The cut in the grants will have practically no effect on the Harrow School O.T.C., which consists chiefly of senior boys.

"We do not encourage the younger boys to join the Corps," said Dr. Norwood, the head master of Harrow. "We do not care about boys of 16 going to camp where they will have to move about among boys of 17 and 18 and perform equally strenuous duties with them. It imposes too great a strain on a growing boy."

"The cut will affect our numbers slightly, but it will not make any difference to our efficiency," said Mr. Frank Fletcher, the head master of Charterhouse School.

"No boy here is allowed to join in his first year, but we have 60 or 60 members below the age of 16, and none of these may drop out. But we do not depend on grants alone to maintain our corps, and I do not expect any great falling off."

"It certainly is not going to shatter our O.T.C.," said Captain Favill, of St. Paul's School.

"We will have less money, but the training will go on, although it will be more difficult to train the members as thoroughly as one would wish."

## WOMAN'S SUCCESS.

## PASSES FINAL EXAMINATION IN THEORY OF WAR.

## NO SPIRIT OF REVENGE.

Mrs. Gordon Potts, of Dial House, Hatchett, has just passed at Oxford her final examination in military operations and theory of war. Mrs. Potts, who is the first woman to obtain this distinction, is the wife of Mr. Gordon Francis Alan Potts, a Mathematical master at Eton College.

"I took the examination," she states, "because my husband hopes, later, to do some diplomatic work, and I thought that I might possibly help him. I want emphatically to deny that this examination was taken in any spirit of revenge on the University authorities. I took the examination because I wanted to get my degree."

Mrs. Potts sat for her examination in June last and left her college, St. Hugh's, three days before the end of the term without giving notice, with the result that her name was removed from the books. It was, she states, simply a case of thoughtlessness on her part; she knew that she should have asked permission, but she was feeling tired. She had sat for her examination but she never knew the result, as her papers were torn up and she was not allowed to see them. Later her name was replaced on the books and she was allowed to take her examination this year, with the result stated.

Mr. Potts has only recently joined the staff at Eton College, and this is his second half.

of ignorance and avarice which are so rampant to-day."

The main offences against the amenities of the countryside, said Mr. Knapp-Fisher, were: "Ribbon" development; badly laid-out roads and towns, and the disregard of "zoning"; the disfigurement and demolition of historic buildings, bridges, etc.; disfiguring petrol pumps, and stations; blatant vulgar and misplaced advertisements; overhead cables; litter; the pollution of rivers, canals, etc.; unnecessary noise; and the unchecked and unregulated means of transport.

## DIVORCED WOMAN AND YOUTH.

## Court Story of Money and Infatuation.

## NO DELICACY.

Mr. John Reginald Hudson, of Grassholme, Stratford-on-Avon, who was sued at Westminster County Court, by Paquin, Ltd., for £79 7s. 11d., was stated to be a young man who became infatuated with a woman about ten years his senior, Mrs. R. V. Ferguson, of West Horsley, on whom he had lavished money and for whom he gave an order to Paquin's for a fur-trimmed coat and beret hat.

Mrs. Ferguson said that she had divorced her first husband, married a second time and had been divorced by her second husband, Mr. Hudson, to whom, she said, she was engaged for a time had spent about £200 on clothes for her.

Judge Sir Alfred Tobin: Had you not any delicacy about accepting gifts from a man to whom you had been engaged after you had broken off the engagement?—No, he had accepted my hospitality many times.

Mr. Hudson said that he had taken Mrs. Ferguson to his father's house at Christmas. His father, in consequence of the relationship, had threatened to cut him off and have nothing more to do with him. His father had allowed him £40 a week, but reduced it to about £15.

Judge Tobin: Did you meet her and lunch with her after that? Mr. Hudson—Yes.

Judge Tobin: Why, if she was a "gold digger" and you were annoyed with her?—Because I happened to be very fond of the "gold digger."

## "Very Weak."

Why put yourself in the way of temptation of the wheedling "gold digger" by inviting her to lunch?—I was very weak, as I have been the whole time.

Did you tell her that you wanted to marry her?—I certainly did tell her that. She accepted me until my father said that he would cut me off and then she did not want me.

Judge Tobin said that in the words of olden days when people called a spade a spade Mrs. Ferguson was a "baggage," and in words of old books Mr. Hudson would have been called a "dirty cad," gone to the bad because of the absurd, egregious allowance which he said he had been receiving from his father. He was sorry that the plaintiffs should have had to embark on a litigation involving such shameful, disgraceful, disclosures as had been made in the case. He believed Mrs. Ferguson more than Mr. Hudson and relied upon plaintiffs' evidence, and gave judgment for them.

## BAN ON NOTES.

## RUN ON CENTRAL BANK IN CANTON.

## BOYCOTT IN FORCE?

Canton, Yesterday. The Central Bank notes are down again. For the last week or so, the notes have depreciated to as much as 20 per cent. or even more, while tradesmen have shown considerable reluctance in accepting them. This morning the principal shops refused to do business when these notes were offered. The exchange shops have for some days declined to take any notes for subsidiary coins, giving the pretext they have no cash on hand.

The Central Bank has been paying coins against all notes on presentation, and the bank's premises are crowded with anxious people. Hence it is difficult to account for the depreciation of the notes, unless the native banks and exchange shops have come to a common agreement to boycott the Central Bank notes, in order to force the Finance Commissioner to waive the new regulations, compelling all banks to have a capital of no less than \$50,000 and the compulsory taking of photographs of those in the bank business.—Canton News Agency.

## Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of April 30, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/6½.

The Kennedy Town and North Point public bathing beaches are to be open as usual this year, from May 1 and 15, respectively. It is possible that we may keep them both for years yet.

A souvenir will be presented to Sir James and Lady Lockhart at the Hong Kong Hotel on Monday afternoon when they will be entertained to tea by Mr. Lau Chu-pak and other Chinese friends.



# MYSTERIOUS SWAMP OF BRAHMAPUTRA.

What Strange Beasts Lurk in the Depths?

NO GIGANTIC FALLS.

I am sick to death of that mystery of the Brahmaputra which is connected with the course of the river between the point at which it leaves Tibet and the point at which it enters British territory, writes "Kim" in the Calcutta Statesman. I am convinced, now, that there are no gigantic falls and that the river descends from the Himalayas in a series of cascades after the manner of other Himalayan rivers. Far more mysterious and wonderful than its vagaries in tribal territories are the vagaries of the Brahmaputra after it enters Assam.

**World's Biggest Swamps.**  
Do you know that this river is responsible for creating the biggest swamps in the world? I am not including the delta which it makes with the Ganges. I refer to the swamps in Assam. At all kinds of odd points the river has thrown out an arm which embraces hundreds of square miles before it touches the original trunk again. That sacred part which the Assamese calls Majuli, comprising about five hundred square miles of sandbank and swamp, is the result of the Brahmaputra throwing out its waters at one point and receiving them again at another. Many of the swamps have never been penetrated by man, particularly by the European.

The waters lie, silent, sluggish and dull, as unknown as the alleged falls. Monstrous vegetable growths keep the soil together, myriads of wild fowl scream overhead, and when the waters are disturbed by a ripple there are no human eyes to note what that animal was whose snout protruded for a moment.

**Legendary Monsters.**  
I remember suggesting once that in these swamps, if anywhere, was to be found that giant iguana or



"Hey, come back; don't you know this is the tenth floor?"  
Suicide: "Good of you to tell me. I thought it was the fifteenth. I'll go higher."  
Smith's Weekly, Sydney.

iguana of which Indian forest legends tell—the real, the original bis-cobra. To-day the bis-cobra has dwindled down to the harmless lizard that shrills tuck-too, tuck-too from the walls of bungalows in Eastern Bengal, but the legendary bis-cobra is larger than a king-cobra and heavier than a crocodile. It splits poison.

Anyway, sportsmen who have haunted the edge of the swamps say that sometimes they have caught a glimpse of some vague and shadowy thing that might well have been an iguana. But now I have a new idea. There has recently been discovered a new species of rhinoceros in Java. It is known as the scaled rhinoceros, and it is found in the fever-swamps of the south, swamps which resemble in all particulars those formed by the Brahmaputra in Assam.

**Thrilling Book.**  
The existence of the scaled rhinoceros was suspected in the last century. Mr. Joseph Delmont in his "Catching Wild Beasts Alive," an exciting book printed by Hutchinson, says that in 1894 an expedition set out for the Java swamps in the hope of taking a scaled rhinoceros alive. The leader set out with a hundred followers and returned with only fifty, fever and desertion having accounted for the rest. He had caught nothing. The first scaled rhino was shot in 1920, the second in 1921. In both cases the sportsmen were Americans. In the second case the hide was brought in as a trophy, and set the doubts of all the naturalists at rest.

**Why Not?**  
Why should not the scaled rhinoceros also be found in the Assamese swamps? To those who smile at the question, I say: "Do you remember the case of the takin?" One or two planters on the Sadya side had the skin and horns of the beast, purchased from Abora and Mishma, but for the rest nobody would believe in the existence of an animal which was half a goat and half a buffalo. To-day there is a takin in the zoo in London.

What about the okapi? There was a time when people refused to believe in the gorilla, and Du Chailly was called a liar in the best scientific circles.

# IT'S A-B-C PARTIES NOW.

Fancy-Dressing to the Alphabet.

MYSTERY SOLVED.

Has London been having Letter-Parties? Paris is enjoying them greatly, especially the British Colony, which takes them in two languages. You are given a letter and everything you wear has to begin with that letter—even the withins, because a committee of your own sex will see to that.

And it is surprising how difficult it is. The most beautiful British woman in Paris went to a party of this sort one Saturday in five draped bandanas (mouchoirs), with mules (French bedroom slippers) on her feet, and a mantle, mittens, and a mantilla.

Her husband had caught the awkward letter P, and wore Pyjamas, the Pink of his own hunt, Pumps, and—Puttees! It is true that the puttees were made of black satin, but still . . . ! Pyjamas are thin, but he was quite safe in wearing Pants below them. I know a man who is waiting to be given K, in order that he may go in a Kilt, a Krias, and a Kukri! These belligerent Scots!

Ever since Madame de Noailles became the first woman to be made a Commander of the Legion of Honour, Paris has been wondering, as I have related, where and how she will wear the eravat. Well, now we know. Many thanks to Van Dongen for telling us. Having some sense, although a poetess, she has decided to wear it where cravats are worn (especially as it is becoming).

So Van Dongen has painted her (for that spoiled child of the case) cannot be out of anything), all complete with the new decoration. It gives a sort of 1885 effect to her costume, and she has her hands clasped in a kind of ecstasy of submission.

But she is looking rather pleased with herself, and that is partly the fault of the photographer who flash-lighted poetess, painter, and picture. The talk-tongues of Paris say that the camera has recorded what the artist was suppressing. But those who have seen the picture say that he has not suppressed it at all. We live in odd times when portrait-painters, far from hiding unfinished work, invite or submit to the visit of photographers.

And it is hard on the sinner to have the flashlight to face. Minus the self-satisfied hands, her closed eyes give a Napoleonic calm to her face. Van Dongen comes out best in the photograph of a canvas which will be the centre of interest at the next Salon. Trust him!

**That Serious Census.**

Soon large numbers of very bored young typists of both sexes, who have never heard of us, and hope they won't, will know exactly how old we are, if we ever had a measles, and many more kindred matters. In other words, the Census is upon us, and it's all very well to laugh, but it is more serious than that.

As head of a household—and there's got to be one—one has to swear that at midnight on March 8 certain people were under one's roof and certain people weren't.

One supposes that Census officials know all about Ananias and Sapphira, and make a deduction for them. But this year somebody has thought fit to say that all this numbering of people (which caught a spot of bother when the Old Testament was in process of building) ought to be most seriously taken by the French nation, because the information thus received will be so useful to the officials who are going to bleed the French nation in the name of the French national good.

Well, well, we'll see. There is a Gauguin Exhibition in Paris, and everybody is rather bored with it. Now, I remember the time when you had to see Gauguin (like Naples) and die. I remember also, at an early London show, a harassed elder sister of the sheltered classes trying to deal with a younger one, who said that a particularly frightful brown lady surrounded by orchids of a nasty nature "was like something rather queer out of 'The Mikado.'"

The present collection reminds nobody that Gauguin was once looked upon as a Messiah in painting. It only reminds us of the amusing stories with which he provided us, and which have lasted longer than his paintings have, in the opinion of Paris. This French bourgeois banker, who went painting in Brittany, and then to the South Seas, came back again and went to ask for a job from a Minister.

It sounds very sensible. But he was dressed in yellow and green, with coloured ribbons, khaki trousers, and he was asking for a Government job!—Evening News.

# THE END OF MRS. GRUNDY.

New Freedom of the Sands.

CONCESSIONS TO BATHERS.

Great Britain's seaside resorts have decided that the reign of Mrs. Grundy must cease.

Bathers this Summer will be allowed much greater freedom than in the past. Sun-bathing is to be fostered, and visitors who wish to walk down to the sea from hotels and boarding-houses with mackintoshes or cloaks over their bathing dresses will generally be allowed to do so.

The following reports show how some of the chief seaside resorts will encourage bathing this Summer:

**Bournemouth.**—Cloak-bathers and sun-bathers are to be given adequate facilities this Summer in special areas, but the use of motor cars as bathing machines will not be allowed.

**Poole.**—To make sun-bathing available for all, a "paper-bag system" is to be adopted. A bather using a corporation tent will put his clothes in a bag, which is then sealed, numbered, and handed to an attendant. The tent is then vacant for others, and the bather can stay on the sands as long as he or she likes before dressing.

**Eastbourne.**—Last year's free-and-easy bathing arrangements will be continued this year at reduced charges. Mackintosh bathing will be allowed until 9 a.m. After then such bathers will be required to use stations where a small fee will be charged.

**Hastings.**—Mackintosh bathing will be allowed, and sun-bathing will be fostered under the supervision of the medical officer of health.

**Folkestone.**—The hours during which people may bathe without the use of a tent has been extended at certain parts of the beach. On the East Cliff sands bathing from the beach is permitted at all hours, and bathers may undress in hotels or motor cars.

**Ramsgate.**—To enable bathers to reach the sea without crossing the front road, a bathing promenade is brought up to date, and the regulations are contemplated.

**Broadstairs.**—By-laws are being brought up to date, and the regulation requiring women bathers to be clothed from neck to knee will probably be abolished.

**Brighton.**—The regulation requiring bathing costumes to extend from neck to knee has been abolished. For years Brighton has turned a blind eye to "offences" under the old bathing by-laws. The new ones are based on modern views. There will be no veto on sun-bathing.

**Weymouth.**—There will be no petty restrictions, and mackintosh bathing will continue.

**Bognor Regis.**—Bathing will be allowed from motor cars in private parks, but not from cars parked on the public highway.

# BYZANTIUM'S WALLS.

Proposed Demolition Controversy.

Some Turks, who dislike being reminded of the past glories of Byzantium, as indicated by the old and picturesque walls which still surround Stamboul, suggest that these walls should now be demolished and that the material should be used to rebuild the ruined quarters of the city, destroyed by fire during recent years.

The subject is being discussed in the Press, but it is clear that those in favour of demolition are few in number. Their argument is to the following effect: "Let us get rid of these old ruins, which only form a blot on the landscape, and use the stones to build modern houses. Have not the French pulled down the walls which once surrounded Paris?"

Those of a contrary opinion, however, reply, "All countries respect and preserve the monuments of antiquity existing within their territories, no matter to what race or religion they belonged. Our old walls form imposing and interesting relics of ancient Byzantium, and they continue to be of great interest to the thousands of tourists who visit our city every year."

"Stamboul is not cramped by these walls, as there is much space still available within the city. Besides, we must not forget the economic point of view. These tourists bring money into the country, and we should do all we can to attract them by preserving these old monuments."

"The walls of Paris were not monuments of antiquity, and they formed an obstacle to the expansion of the city."

In the end, the disputants have come to the conclusion that these walls should be preserved as they stand, at least for the present.

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# SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels.

**Entertainments.**

To-day—King's Theatre; "Ingagi."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Those Three French Girls."

To-day—Central Theatre; "Light of Western Stars."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "True to the Navy."

To-day—World Theatre; "Story of Movieland," (Chinese picture).

Saturday—Ambulance Concert, King's College, 9 p.m.

**Lammert's Auction.**

Saturday—at 74A Nathan Road, Kowloon, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

**Home Mails.**

To-morrow—Inward from London (Sardonic), from Europe via Siberia (Turkuni Maru); Outward for Europe via Marseilles (Turkuni Maru), 6 p.m.

**Sports.**

See Sports Diary on Page 9.

**Miscellaneous.**

To-morrow—Whist Drive at H.K.S. Brigade, R.A., Sergeant's Mess, Gun Club Hill, 8.45 p.m.

Saturday—Prize distribution, Wah Yan College, 2.30 p.m.

# NEW YORK'S WATER.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT SCHEME.

Albany, Yesterday.  
Governor Roosevelt has signed the Cornaire Water-Power Bill, committing the State of New York to a \$517,000,000 hydro-electric development scheme on the St. Lawrence, in which the Canadian province of Ontario is participating.—Reuter's American Service.

# LOST IN ARCTIC.

AIRMAN JOINS IN THE SEARCH.

Stockholm, Yesterday.  
The well-known airman Ahrenberg departed at mid-day to search for Mr. Augustine Courtauld, who has been lost on the Greenland icecap, while accompanying the Royal Geographical Society expedition which is planning an Arctic air route.—Reuter.

# RENEGADES

COMING 7.7.7.

G. R.  
PUBLIC AUCTION.

**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS**  
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 4th day of May, 1931, at 8 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

**PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.**

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 144.	Shamshuipo, near the junction of the New Kowloon Road and the Shamshuipo Road.	N. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	40,000	8,000	12,000

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**PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.**

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
3	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 146.	Tai Kok Tsui, near the junction of the New Kowloon Road and the Tai Kok Tsui Road.	N. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	40,000	8,000	12,000

G. R.  
PUBLIC AUCTION.

**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS**  
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 4th day of May, 1931, at 8 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land above Coombe Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 21 years.

**PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.**

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
4	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 147.	Above Coombe Road, near the junction of the New Kowloon Road and the Tai Kok Tsui Road.	N. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	40,000	8,000	12,000



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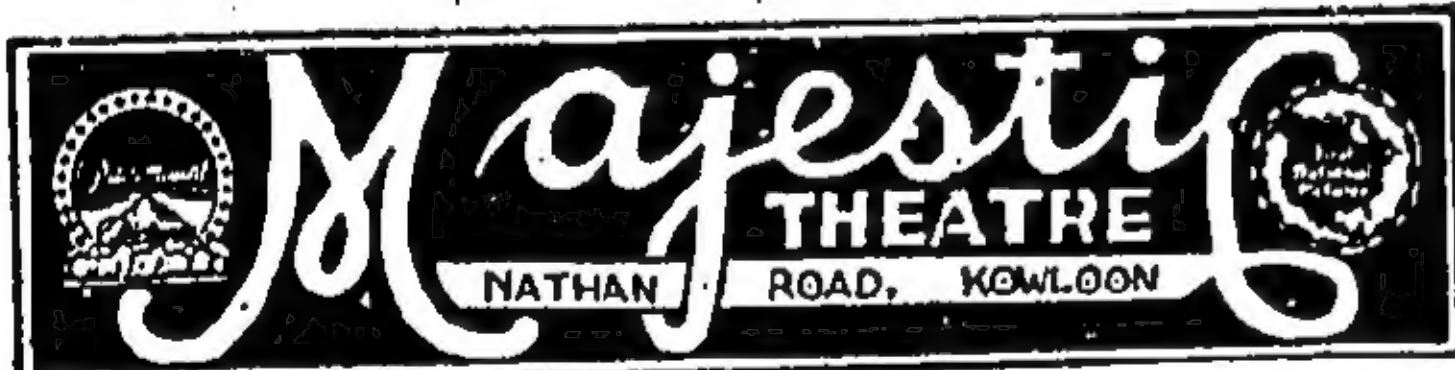
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This afternoon will witness the deciding match for the Colony's Open Singles Championship, and a thrilling encounter for the honour is promised. Neither participant has won the Championship before, though both have good records behind them. C. A. L. Rumsjahn, an ex-Tientsin champion, has failed to find the form which gave him possession of the Northern title, but he is now on the road to recovery and is giving of his best at the moment. E. C. Fincher, last year's finalist, has no championship behind him, though his amazing self-instruction is enough recommendation to gain him many supporters.

Viewed through the public's gaze the match is a very open one, though, for my part, I fancy the chances of E. C. Fincher in to-day's match. He will walk on the court to-day with complete confidence and his anxieties of a year ago will be dispelled by the brilliancy of his victories in this year's tournament. His all-round improvement is almost unbelievable and has already caused havoc in the ranks of the favoured ones.

The question is can he defeat Rumsfeld? His service has more power behind it than that of his opponent. His steadiness is more reliable. His stamina for a five set match, if necessary, is more enduring. In court-craft he will

hold an advantage, and his newly-acquired cross-court drive has more direction and power behind it than that of his Indian challenger. Is this not sufficient to give him the confidence which is so essential for victory?

C. A. L. Rumjahn has shown marked improvement this year, even if it is judged only on the straight sets victory over his brother, S. A. Rumjahn, thus turning the tables on last year's result in the fifth round. His nonchalance on the court may give the impression of self-restraint, but behind this, however, is a temperament easily shaken by bad luck or the strokes of fortune.

He is a player who knows within himself whether, after several games, he is destined to win or lose, and his play improves or disappoints accordingly.

When on the top of his form he is, indeed, a player of no mean merit, but the encouraging strokes must be there to bring out the talent of the Indian champion. Thus, if Fincher is to win, he must give of his very best in the first set and strive to discourage his opponent to the best of his ability in the early stages.

The form shown by Rumjahn in the semi-final can hardly be judged with any degree of accuracy, for his victory was the result of the many blunders on the part of his

brother rather than his own individual brilliance. This year he has had a very easy passage to the final and his play as regards the Open Tournament has not been seen to the best advantage. Fincher, on the other hand, has had very difficult obstacles to surmount in his path to the final. Ng Sze-cheong in the fourth round; T. Honda (the holder) in the fifth; and M. W. Lo in the semi-final are all players of experience and giant-killers if given the opportunity. The overwhelming defeat of T. Honda in the fifth round should give Fincher sufficient confidence to carry him through this afternoon's ordeal.

The experience which the Kowloon player has received as the result of his progress is bound to have some effect on his display this afternoon. Continual practice and perfect health have, indeed, joined together in making him a champion to be respected or if not a champion, a player with the highest possibilities.

Below are appended the previous holders of the title since 1925 and the complete results of the 1931 Tournament:—

1925 Capt. C. H. D. O'Callaghan

1923 Capt. C. H. B. Cunningham  
1926 T. Honda.  
1927 S. A. Rumjahn.  
1928 T. Honda.  
1929 M. W. Lo.  
1930 T. Honda.

## OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP 1931

1st Round.	2nd Round.	3rd Round.	4th Round.	5th Round.	Semi-final.	Final.	Winner.
C. A. L. Rumjahn D. B. Evans Firdos Khan Slow Kim-sang E. T. E. Nash Captain W. M. Morgan Tsui Wai-pui Lt. Col. J. G. Lecky L. Goldman S. E. Green L. T. Ride G. Lai A. D. Humphreys P. H. Kwok J. M. Morhans H. N. Chau S. A. Rumjahn Iu Tak-cheuk Peroz Ali W. N. Peteh A. H. Rumjahn D. W. Deane Horace Lo D. S. Green P. Kong Y. W. Lee F. A. Redmond J. W. Leonard T. Akiyama Ng Sze-kwong A. O. Johnson S. W. Liang G. W. A. Tufton D. J. Valentine Capt. E. C. Etherington R. R. Todd Wong Fuk-nam C. E. Holmes C. S. Pile W. T. Lee T. Honda E. F. Fincher J. A. E. Cassumbhoy H. D. Rumjahn Iu Tak-lum H. S. Lee W. C. Hung F. Grose Ho Ka-lau W. F. Edge H. Y. Ho K. Yoshikawa Yew Man-kit Lee Wai-tsoi Lee Woon-tsoi Ng Kam-chuen E. C. Fincher R. Choa E. Zimmern Surg. Comdr. H. Harkins M. Kinoshita Luk Ding-cheong H. Owen Hughes Ng Sze-cheong A. L. Sullivan D. M. MacDougall V. V. Sonderam J. H. Andersen Wong Shiu-wing Chan So Luk Kang-cheong Chiu Chun-chiu M. W. Lo I. M. A. Razack C. E. Harwell Ho Wal-hing W. J. Howard E. Ralton M. K. Lo K. Nakagato	Bye "						

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### INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS MEETING.

St. Paul's College As  
Premiers.

WIN GOVERNOR'S SHIELD.

St. Paul's College, with 41 points, won the Governor's Shield at the Inter-School sports meeting held at Caroline Hill ground yesterday afternoon. Chiu Ping-hung was mainly responsible for their victory, as he took first place in the 100 yards, 220 yards, and broke the record in the high jump and long jump events, clearing a height of 5 feet 4½ inches, and jumping a distance of 20 feet 3½ inches, respectively.

Leung Kam-to, of Queen's College, who won the mile, ran a well-judged race, and took the lead early. St. Paul's College man came second, whilst Miller placed Central British School third.

The 220 yards Ellis Kadoorie Challenge Cup was carried off by A. Hunt, of Queen's College. He finished in great style. The Relay Race over one mile was won by St. Paul's College.

At the conclusion of the events, the Rev. A. D. Stewart, M.A., congratulated the winning team. The School Championship Shield had been won three times each by St. Joseph's College and St. Paul's. St. Paul's now won it a fourth time.

Sir William Hornell congratulated the winners and runners-up and commented on the increasing interest taken in inter-school sports—an interest which he hoped would not be relaxed in the future. He commented on the excellent condition of the runners. He hoped to see next year, not only inter-school boys' sports, but also inter-school girls' sports. (Applause.)

The Schools participating were:—Diocesan School, Central British School, King's College, Munsang College, Queen's College, St. Paul's College, St. Stephen's College and Ying Wah College.

**RESULTS.**  
100 Yards.—1, Chiu Ping-hung (St. Paul's College); 2, Lai Khoo-hian (St. Stephen's College); 3, R. J. Reed (Diocesan Boys' School). Time:—11 secs.

Long Jump.—1, Chiu Ping-hung (St. Paul's College); 2, Lai Khoo-hian (St. Stephen's College); 3, Li Tim (Diocesan Boys' School). Distance:—20 ft. 3½ ins. (Record).

220 Yards.—1, Chiu Ping-hung (St. Paul's College); 2, Ching Chiu-nam (St. Paul's College); 3, A. Hunt (Queen's College). Time:—24 4/5 secs.

One Mile.—1, Leung Kam-to (Queen's College); 2, Cheung Shiu-kwai (St. Paul's College); 3, J. V. E. Miller (Central British School). Time:—5 mins, 26½ secs.

Putting the Shot.—1, Kwok Ching-ping (St. Stephen's College); 2, Lau Tak-yei (King's College); 3, Kwang Ping-choi (St. Stephen's College). Distance:—32 ft. 6½ ins.

440 Yards (Ellis Kadoorie Challenge Cup).—1, A. Hunt (St. Paul's College); 2, R. J. Reed (Diocesan Boys' School); 3, Arculli (Queen's College) and Chan Fook-tim (Queen's College). Time:—59 secs.

High Jump.—1, Chiu Ping-hung (St. Paul's College); 2, Tam Ying-nee (St. Stephen's College) and Lai Khoo-hian (St. Stephen's College). Height:—5 ft. 4½ ins. (Record).

Half Mile (Canton Nanyang Brothers Challenge Cup).—1, Cheung Shiu-nam (St. Paul's College); 2, R. Phillips (Central British School); 3, Iqbal Singh (Diocesan Boys' School). Time:—2 mins, 24½ secs.

120 Yards Low Hurdles.—1, Lai Khoo-hian (St. Stephen's College); 2, Tse Chi-kan (Ying Wah College); 3, Marker (Queen's College). Time:—16 secs.

Senior Relay Race (Sir Paul Chater Cup).—1, St. Paul's College; 2, Queen's College; 3, St. Stephen's College.

**OFFICIALS.**  
Starters:—Messrs. Ko Sik-wai and Evan G. Stewart.  
Judges:—Messrs. H. G. Wallington, E. C. Thomas, J. A. Gaunt, J. J. Ferguson, F. A. Britton, L. B. Holmes, T. J. Price, and Kwok Man-hoi.

Clerk of the Course:—Mr. Tso

### SCOTTISH FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Ayr United Escape  
Relegation.

KILMARNOCK BEATEN.

London, Yesterday.  
In the Scottish League Ayr United beat Kilmarnock by one goal to nil to-day.—Reuter.

Ayr United, by their win over their Ayrshire rivals, just escape relegation by the narrow margin of two points, the two Clubs to move down being Hibernians and East Fife.

The completed Scottish League table is as under:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Rangers	38	27	6	5	96	29	60
Celtic	38	24	10	4	101	34	58
Motherwell	38	24	8	6	102	42	56
Partick	38	24	5	9	76	43	53
Hearts	38	19	6	13	90	63	44
Aberdeen	38	17	7	14	78	62	41
Gowdenneth	38	17	5	16	65	63	39
Dundee	38	17	5	16	65	63	39
Airdrie	38	17	5	16	65	63	39
Hamilton	38	16	5	17	59	67	37
Kilmarnock	38	15	5	18	59	60	35
Clyde	38	15	4	19	60	88	34
Queen's Pk.	38	13	7	18	71	72	33
Falkirk	38	11	4	23	77	87	32
St. Mirren	38	11	8	19	49	72	30
Arbroath	38	11	7	20	58	83	29
Leith	38	8	11	19	51	85	27
Ayr	38	8	11	19	51	85	27
Hibernians	38	9	7	22	49	81	25
East Fife	38	8	4	26	45	103	20

### SOUTH CHINA SCORE SIX GOALS.

Navy Net Twice in  
Reply on Club Ground

On the Club ground yesterday South China defeated the Navy by six goals to two in a First Division League match. The Chinese played a much superior game and, as the result of goals by Chui Kwok-luen (2), Fung King-cheung and Ip Pak-wah held a four goals lead at half-time. Chui scored his second goal from a penalty kick for handling.

After the interval the Navy reduced the arrears when Redgate and Hawes found the net, but Fung King-cheung and Chui Kwok-luen sent South China further ahead.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
South China	20	17	1	2	60	20	35
Kowloon	19	12	4	3	46	27	28
Argylls	19	12	2	5	43	32	26
Navy	20	11	2	7	63	39	24
Athletic	19	10	1	8	36	27	21
Borderers	18	9	2	7	36	26	20
Revereis	18	9	1	8	31	36	19
R.A.	18	5	1	12	21	54	11
Police	20	4	2	14	25	39	10
Club	19	4	2	13	14	47	10
St. Joseph's	20	3	0	17	22	56	6

\* Withdrawn from the League.

### Our Sports Diary.

#### LOCAL.

**LAWN TENNIS**—To-day:—Meeting of H.K.L.T.A. at 6.30 p.m.; Open Singles Championship Final—E. C. Fincher v. C. A. L. Runjahn at H.K.C.C. at 4.30 p.m.

**CHESS**—To-morrow:—Kowloon Chess Club Junior Championship.

**FOOTBALL**—To-day:—Division I. Club v. Kowloon on Club ground at 5 p.m.

Saturday:—Division I. Borderers v. R.A.; South China (Champions) v. Rest of the League on Club ground at 5 p.m.

**HOCKEY**—Saturday:—Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club (Champions) v. The Rest of the League.

**RACING**—Saturday:—Fourth Extra Race Meeting.

**LAWN BOWLS**—Saturday:—Opening of League Season.

**RUGBY**—Saturday:—Rugby League Cup Final.

**Yuk-wa.**  
Timekeepers:—Messrs. J. L. MacPherson, S. S. Leung, Ho Hin-kau, and Hon Lun-fong.  
Scorers:—Messrs. D. Trafford and T. Mow.  
Hon. Secretary:—Mr. Ho Ka-lau.

### BEDFORD SCHOOL VICTORY.

Closely Followed by  
Dulwich College.

INTER-SCHOOL BOXING.

Bedford School won the annual four-sided boxing competition between Bedford School, Dulwich College, Eton College, and Haileybury College, which was held at Dulwich on March 21. The final totals were as follow: Bedford, 21 pts.; Dulwich, 19; Haileybury, 16; Eton, 7.

The totals in the annual four-sided competition at Brighton were: Brighton College, 33 pts.; St. Paul's School, 27; Lancing College, 3; Epsom College, 0.

### CAMERONIAN WINS AT NEWMARKET.

Two Thousand Guineas  
Result.

London, Yesterday.  
The result of the Two Thousand Guineas, run to-day at Newmarket, over a course of one mile, was:—

Cameronian	1
Goyescas	2
Orpen	3

There were twenty-four starters, the race being won by two lengths, with three lengths between second and third.

Betting was:—  
100/8 Cameronian.  
8/1 Goyescas.  
18/1 Orpen.

### U.S. BASEBALL.

RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S  
LEAGUE GAMES.

New York, Yesterday.  
The following are the results of matches played to-day in the National and American Baseball Leagues:—

National League.		American League.	
Cincinnati	3	Chicago	1
St. Louis	7	Pittsburgh	1
American League.		National League.	
Washington	9	New York	5
Cleveland	9	St. Louis	0
Chicago	3	Detroit	0

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### LAWN TENNIS.

At the H.K.C.C. yesterday M. K. and M. W. Lo beat Ho Ka-lau and Yew Man-kit 6-3, 2-6, 6-2 in the Open Doubles Championship.



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3. Steamed Pigeons and Ham.
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The time is coming when motorists will have little else to do but to steer their cars. Already automatic gear changing is an accomplished feat. The latest development is a car that automatically opens the garage doors without the driver leaving the seat.

I was privileged to witness a test with such a car, says the motoring correspondent of the Morning Post. It was a saloon fitted with a special dashboard wireless set which transmitted a signal that caused the garage doors to open by the driver simply pulling a knob.

The owner drove me up the drive of his house with the car facing the garage. He pulled a knob on the dashboard and the doors opened. We drove in, and he pulled the knob, and the doors shut behind us.

Another Feat.  
By this superlative accessory to the modern automobile does even more than this.

When the car's lamps were lighted the invisible signal from the dashboard not only caused the doors to open, but also turned on the lights in the garage itself, and when the doors were closed one could extinguish the garage lights from the car.

There are three parts in this clever device. A tiny transmitting set installed in the car, the receiving set mounted within the garage, and the door operating mechanism.

One can fix a special code for signals sent by the transmitter so that the car practically carries its own key to the garage. The electric current from the battery is no greater than required for lighting the side lamps, so consumption is small.

### FORD PLANTS.

#### Story of a Great Undertaking.

In connecting the Rouge Plant and the old channel of the Rouge River it was necessary that the tunnel pass under main highways, street car tracks, railroads, bridges, a creek and a cemetery. One of the most difficult tasks was that of excavating, or, as it is termed, "pushing the shield" under Baby Creek at a point which is crossed by a railroad bridge and where also a large sewer is under construction by the city of Detroit.

The piles that provide the foundation for the bridges and those driven by the company constructing the sewer formed a network on each side of the creek. It was the task of the Ford engineers to burrow under the creek, sewer and bridge, going between the piles without striking or weakening them. This was accomplished.

In beginning the tunnel the engineers sank a shaft sixty feet straight down into the earth. They then began excavating the tunnel on a horizontal level. The boring is accomplished by means of a shield—a large steel cylinder fourteen feet long and twenty-one feet in outside diameter with a solid steel shell or skin two and a fourth inches thick. This shield has a bulkhead which is made fast near the front end. There are four openings through which the mud streams, like toothpaste from a tube as the shield is shoved forward by twenty powerful hydraulic jacks.

Great Cement Block.  
As the mud is oozed through the shield openings, it is loaded into little cars that are drawn to the shaft by an electric engine and sent to the surface. In turn these cars haul great cement blocks each weighing 3,420 pounds, to the head of the tunnel.

When the shield has been pushed forward sufficiently, these blocks which are two and a half feet wide and five feet long, are set to form a ring around the circumference of the tunnel. There are ten blocks to a ring with one of them acting as a keystone so that the lining of concrete, which is eighteen inches thick, withstands the pressure of the earth.

When one ring of blocks has been set in place, the shield pushes forward again until sufficient progress has been made to permit the insertion of another ring. On an average, an hour and a half is required to complete one shove forward and a half an hour to set up a ring of the cement blocks. Occasionally, however, it is necessary to take down a part of the bulkhead to remove boulders which are in the line of progress.

230 Blocks a Day.  
The concrete blocks are formed at the rate of 230 a day in a material plant that saw service in the manufacture of shells during the war. They are made of cement manufactured by the Ford Motor Company out of slag from the plant blast furnaces.

After the blocks have been set in place within the tunnel, steel forms are set up and filled with concrete to form a solid inner lining. This lining also is eighteen inches thick so that the circumference of the circle is composed of a three-foot section of concrete. The surface being smooth, will offer the least resistance to the free flow of the water.

Some idea of the tunnel and of the tremendous quantities of water consumed in the Ford plant may be gained by comparing its capacity with the water consumption of some of the larger cities.

At present the Rouge Plant is consuming half a billion gallons of water a day, not including that brought from the City of Detroit for drinking and other purposes. The new tunnel will have a normal capacity by gravity feed of 913,600,000 gallons per day, or 333,464,000,000 gallons a year.

Useful Comparison.  
In the fiscal year 1929, the city of Detroit consumed 80,883,341,000 gallons to quench its thirst, flush its streets, sprinkle its lawns, do its manufacturing, accomplish its cooking and put out its fires. Cincinnati required 20,511,000,000 gallons; Washington, D.C. 28,351,000,000 gallons; and Philadelphia 122,590,000,000 gallons. It will be seen, therefore, that the new Ford tunnel could supply the water consumed through the water departments of all these cities put together, and still have some eighty billion gallons to spare.

### Industrial Community A Complete "City."

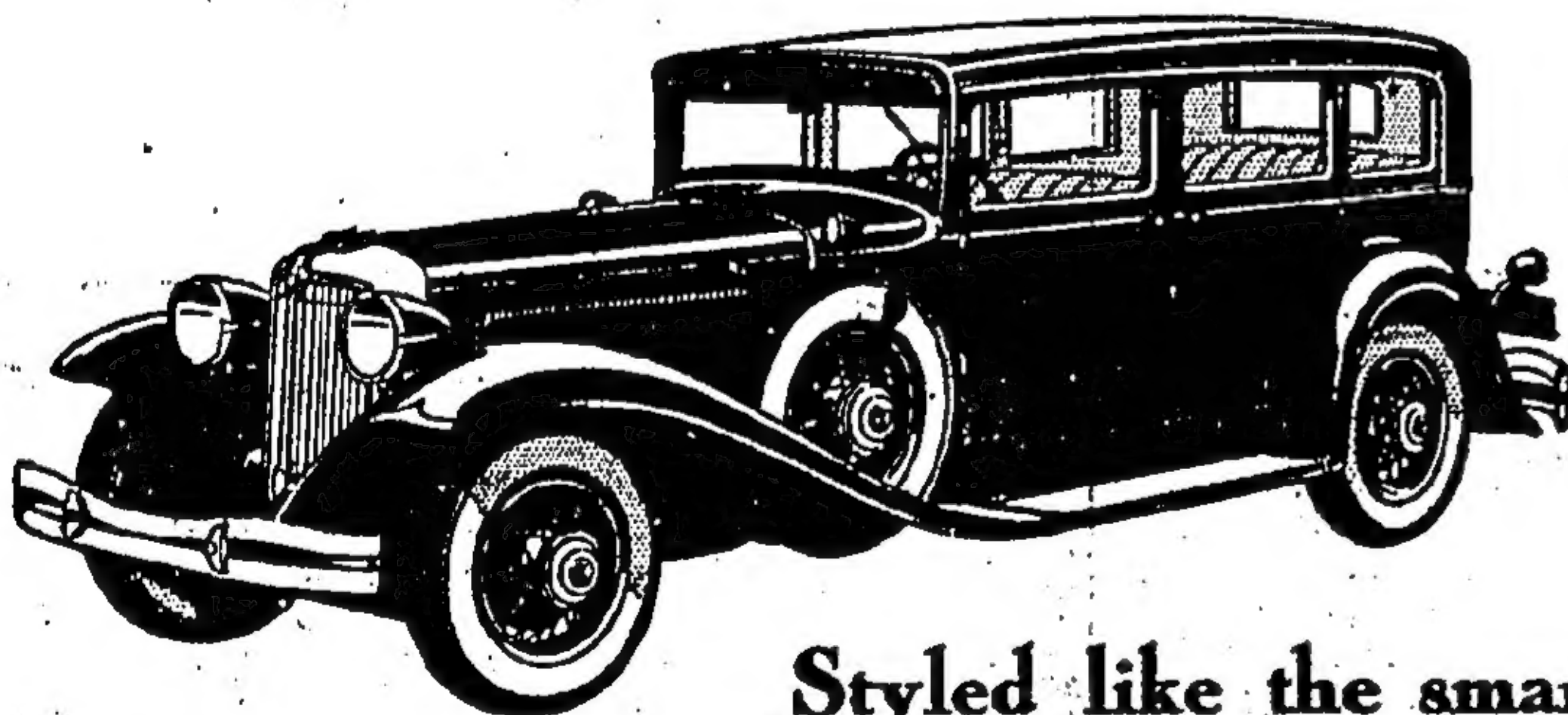


Upper left—One of the many trains that operate over the "municipal railway" of "Dodge City." Upper right—The completely equipped Dodge Brothers school room, where a regularly constituted Director of Education presides. Left centre—No municipal department is any more thoroughly organized than the police force of this factory settlement. Right centre—The "Health Department" guards the physical welfare of its citizens closely. Minor cuts, scratches and bruises are given immediate attention in the main hospital shown above and in six branch units. Lower left—The Post Office, where approximately 7,500 pieces of incoming and 15,000 pieces of outgoing first class mail are handled daily. Lower right—The cafeteria, where hundreds of the citizens of the "city within a city" are served every day. In addition to the cafeteria 32 lunch wagons are operated throughout the factory buildings.

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It is interesting to know that the motorcar described as the most costly in the world has recently come into the possession of its owner. The "most costly" car is a bejewelled Pierce-Arrow, designed as a parade car for public ceremonies, to the order of His Imperial Majesty Riza Khan, Shah of Persia.

Regal in appearance, the style of the Shah's new Pierce-Arrow resembles that of a Town Car. Although of unusually liberal dimensions, it is low-hung and graceful.

The chassis of the car is of standard Pierce-Arrow manufacture. The coachwork, however, represents the ultimate in luxury. Of spotless white, the exterior is richly relieved by stripings of gold and by the gold-plated metal work. Embellished on each door is the golden bas relief replica of the Persian crown, mounted with a green jewel.

The interior is upholstered in a light champagne coloured silk, embroidered with wreaths, a family insignia. It is piped with white leather and edged with gold. The wood trim is inlaid satin wood. The silk window curtains are finished in a figured design. The luxurious cushion is tailored in one expanse of cloth, as the Shah rides alone. On the floor is a rug of Russian wolfhound fur, imported especially for the car. A cigarette case and lighter, encrusted with diamonds, is within easy reach of the royal passenger.

The chauffeur's compartment also reveals a lavish use of gold plate, the steering column, the instrument mountings and the control levers all being finished with the precious metal.

Mobiloil is used for the lubrication of the Pierce-Arrow and also for the lubrication of the Rolls Royce which the Shah uses for journeys not of ceremonial character.

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The car is mounted on an A.E.C. chassis and contains a gunrack, a tank specially constructed to carry ice, an 18-gallon fresh water tank and a dining table.

### GENERAL MOTORS

#### Shows Big Drop in Earnings.

New York, April 28.

General Motors earnings for the first quarter of 1931 were only a little better than half of the earnings for the corresponding quarter in 1930, according to a report made to-day.

For the quarter just closed net earnings amounted to \$28,919,000, as compared with \$44,968,000 in the first quarter of 1930. — United Press.



## GARAGE FUMES.

## Banker Poisoned by Accident.

Dr. E. F. Hôare, the coroner for East Sussex, recently warned all motorists against the danger of working in locked garages, after conducting an inquest on Major James Dunning, aged fifty-nine, a London banker, of Hans Place, S.W., who was found lying dead on the floor of his garage, which was locked, at his Sussex home, Lough Heath Farm, Forest Row, near East Grinstead.

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was returned.

Mr. James Dunning, a son, said that his father was of a cheerful disposition and had no illness or business worries.

A housemaid at the farm said that Major Dunning arrived unexpectedly on a Tuesday night. He complained that the car was running badly, and after dinner he said that he would go to the garage to repair it.

Donald Keen, a cowman, said that he found the garage doors locked, and on looking through the window he saw Major Dunning lying on the floor by the side of his car.

A chauffeur stated that the car

## GERMAN FORD.

## Removal to Cologne Factory.

The Berlin factory of the Ford Motor Co., of Germany, is to be closed down at the end of April, when the company will take over its new factory in Cologne, the erection cost of which is given as about Rm. 20,000,000 (£1,000,000).

The production capacity of the new factory, which covers an area of 33,000 square metres, is stated to be 105 units per day, compared with a daily output of 70 units in the Berlin factory. The Cologne factory will employ 2,000 work-people and officials.

The company states that its sales in 1930 were 23.8 per cent. higher than in 1929, while profits in 1930 amounted to Rm. 3,300,000, against Rm. 2,220,000 in 1929. No announcement of a dividend has yet been made.

was fourteen years old and had always given off bad fumes.

Dr. F. Lepage, of Forest Row, gave evidence that death was due to carbon monoxide poisoning. He found no signs of disease or violence.

## CAR SERVICE.

## What Many People Expect.

The last few years have seen the introduction and development of a system of service in cars that are sold, and prospective owners have come to expect this service with but often a hazy idea of what they are really entitled to. Many people expect that everything that goes wrong with the car within a certain time will be fixed free of charge. As a matter of fact, nothing is done free of charge. Manufacturers have realised that their products must have a good start in life, and, as a result, have added a little to the price of their cars in order that necessary work can be carried out on the car by their own dealers or agents. This work has certain definite limits, and anything beyond this is charged to the customer in the usual way.

Some car distributors have different methods of dispensing service, but, on the whole, the scheme boils down to much the same thing, and the intention of this article is to show just what may be expected under the heading of "free" service. First, it must be explained that, from the moment a new car is put into service any repairs or adjustments must fall into one of three classes—free service, maintenance, and warranty.

Free service will include the initial adjustment of the brakes, controls, valves, &c., necessitated by their bedding in during the first few hundred miles of running.

## Maintenance.

Under the heading of maintenance are all repairs and adjustments due to legitimate wear and tear, and as it follows that these charges must be borne by the purchaser.

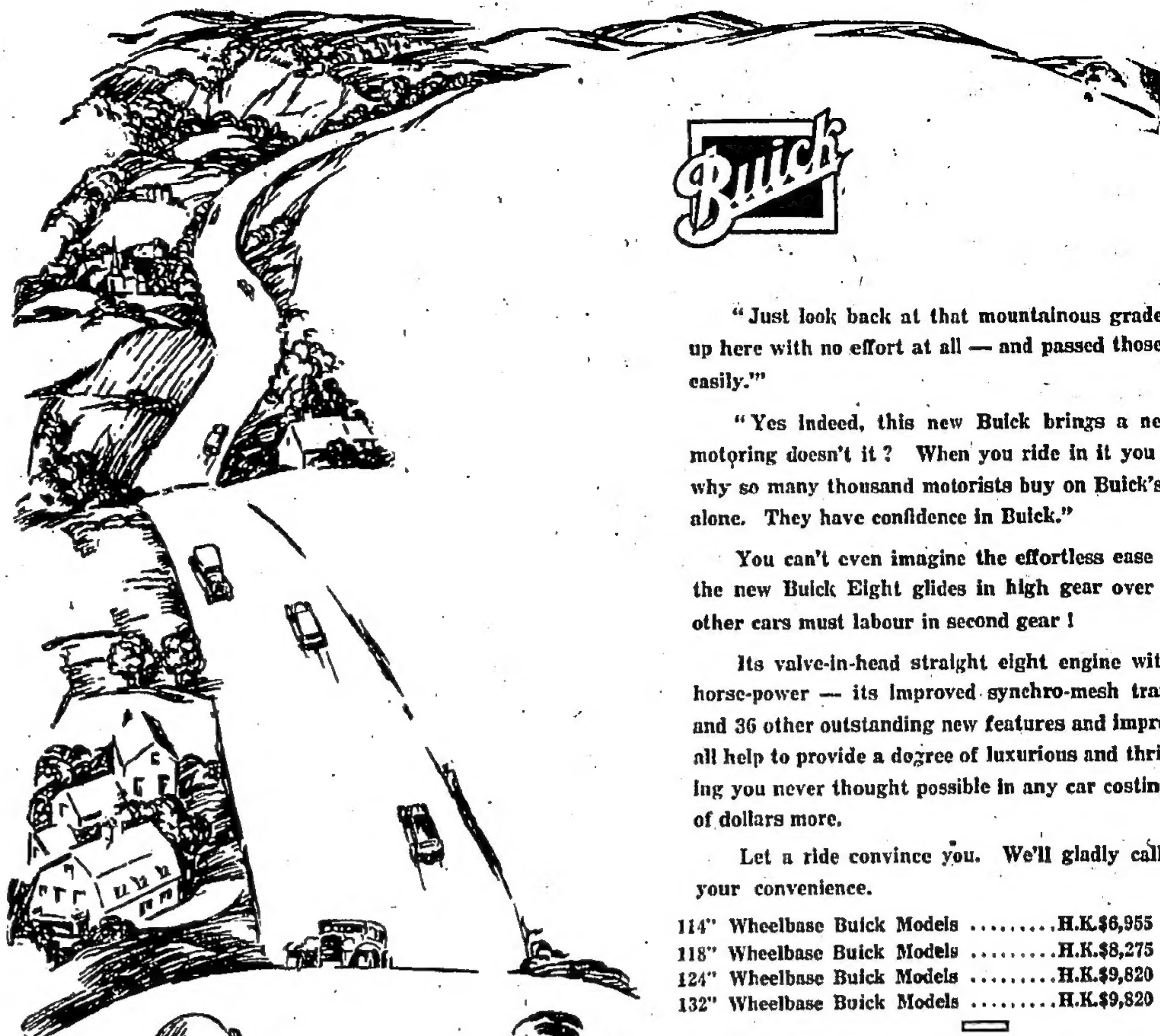
While warranty is really the manufacturer's guarantee to replace defective units and supply the part gratis, labour costs must be charged to the owner.

As a general rule when a man purchases a car he is given a service card, usually for 90 days. This card directs the owner to submit his car for examination by the service station at 500 miles for first service, and again at 1,000 miles, otherwise all liability in regard to warranty must cease. During these inspections the brakes are adjusted, tappet clearances checked, body and fender bolts tightened, and the many other odd jobs that must be done when any piece of machinery is in the process of "running in" are attended to.

## Owners Aggrieved.

So far, this is easy to understand, but take the case of a man who is a regular user, and, perhaps, knocks up 4,000 or 5,000 miles before the ninety days expires. He runs the car in for final service, and finds that the brake lining, or, perhaps, a fan belt needs replacement, and that the cost will be a couple of pounds. Many owners feel aggrieved at this charge, but by no stretch of imagination could the work be classified under free service, for it is definitely a maintenance charge due to legitimate wear and tear. Many new drivers are abnormally hard on the clutch and gears, and sometimes one hears of clutch and gear failure under these conditions. Again, engines have been practically ruined through failure to replace water or oil in the sump.

Although these troubles are all more or less due to ignorance, they are not the result of faulty manufacture or assembly, and so they are all maintenance charges to be borne by the owner. Even should a rear axle break it does not follow that the part must be replaced free of charge under warranty, for it may be due to fierce clutch engagement or to other un-



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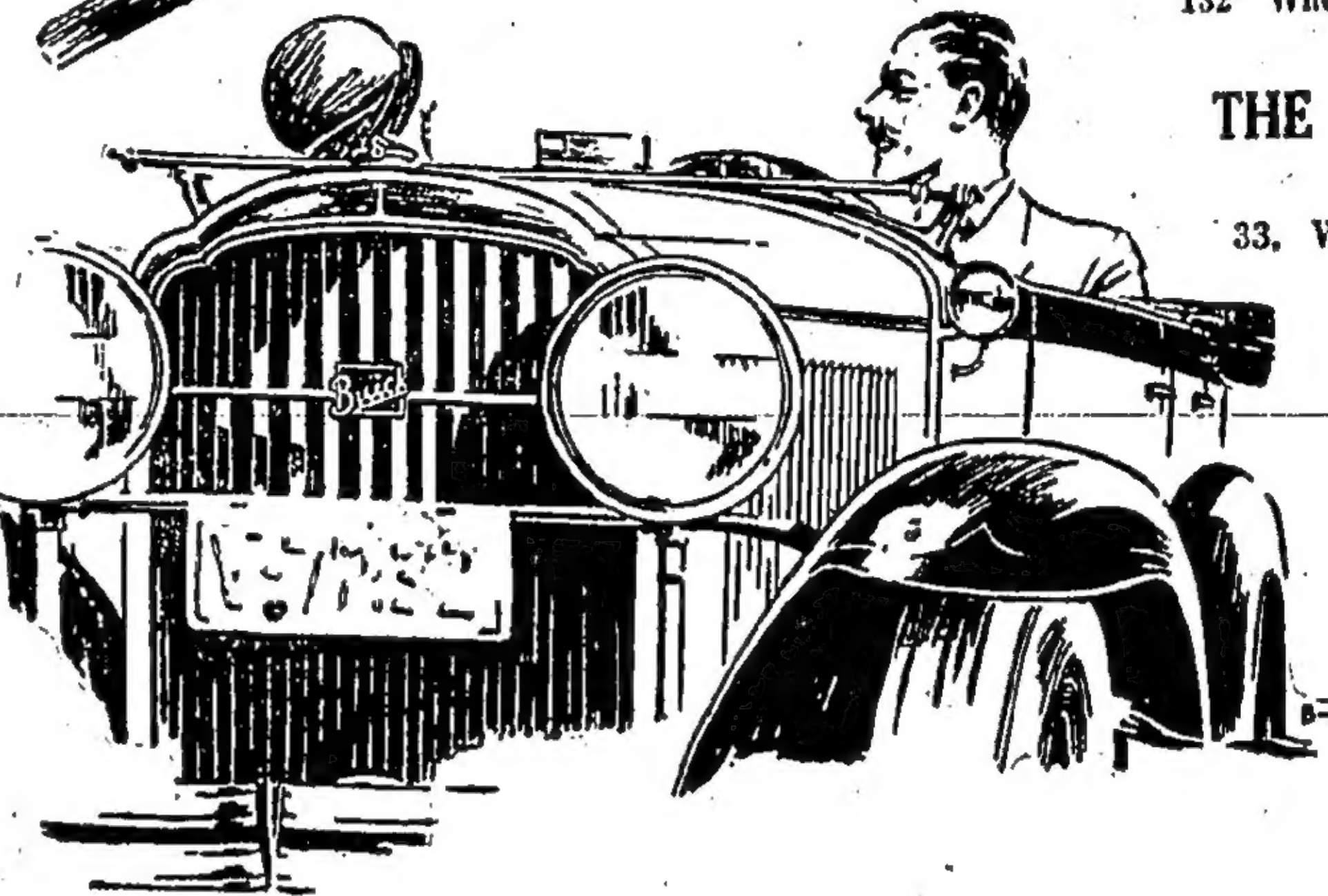
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CHEVROLET.—Hongkong Hotel Garage, Queen's Road. Tel. 24759.  
FIAT MOTOR CAR.—A Goeke & Co., China Bldg., 7th floor. Tel. 22221.  
MARQUETTE.—The Dragon Motor Car Co., Ltd., 33, Wong Nei Chung Road, Happy Valley. Tel. 30228.  
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## De Soto Six Encounters August Snow Storm in Africa.



What is said to be a most unusual fall of snow occurred in South Africa in the districts of Enslin, Dordrecht and Barkly West, during the last two weeks of August. A De Soto Six in the hands of a sales representative was operated for ten days in this heavy snow without faltering—a noteworthy achievement in a country where such conditions are seldom encountered.

## CITY TRAFFIC.

## How To Speed Up and Ease Congestion.

There are, states The Commercial Motor, many things that could be done to speed up traffic movement and ease congestion without singling out any particular class of vehicle and subjecting it to hardship.

There is, of course, the suggestion that we have made several times in the past, namely, that the constables controlling cross-road traffic should allow shorter periods for the traffic in each direction. This would make a great improvement.

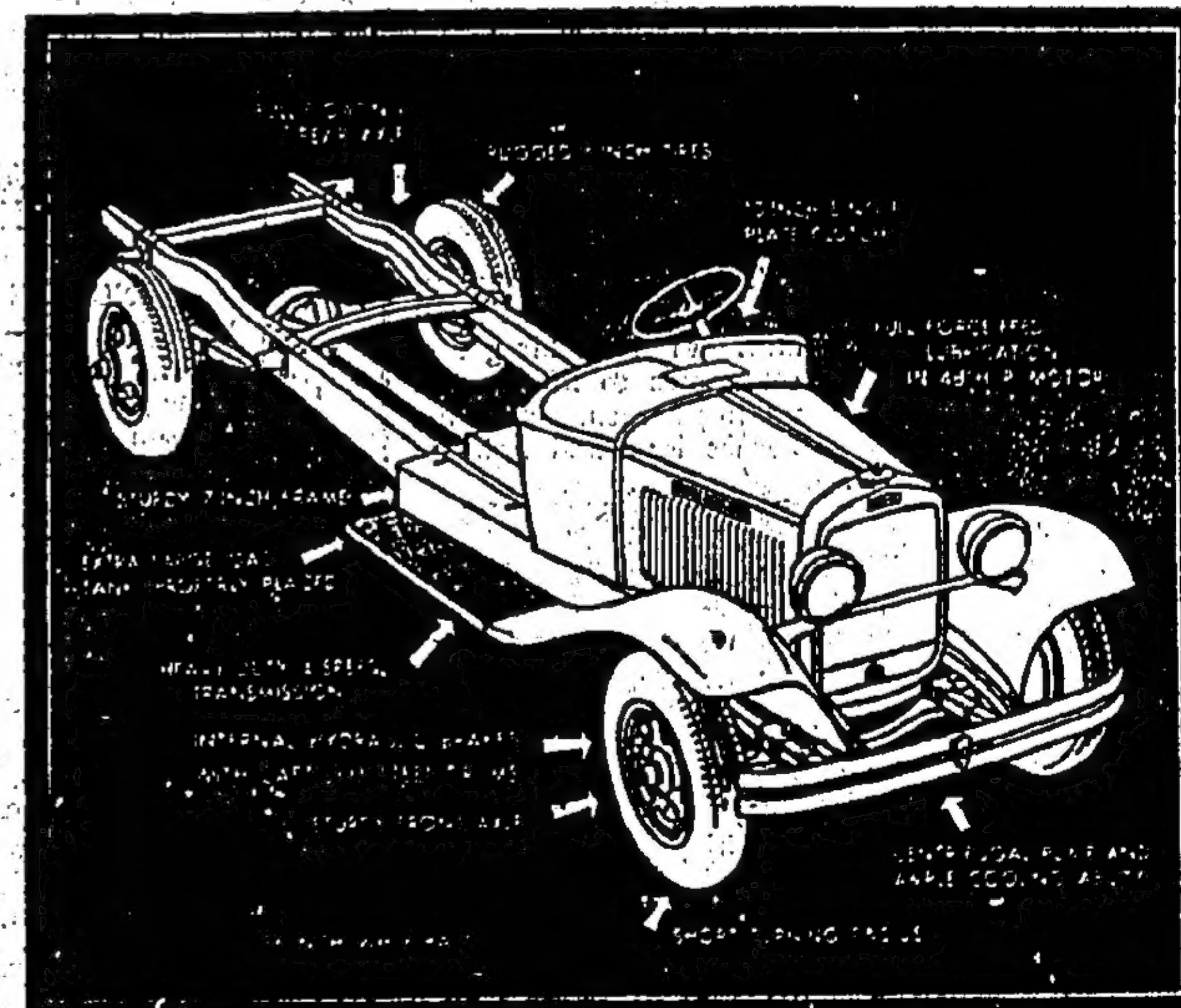
If other slow-moving units, particularly horse-drawn vehicles, were forced to keep well to the left side of the road the benefit would be noticed immediately. Similarly, if vehicles travelling at medium speed could be persuaded — as surely they could be — not to occupy the crown of the road, this would help.

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## CHINA'S PROVISIONAL CONSTITUTION.

Power to Popularly  
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"ALL PEOPLE EQUAL."

Nanking, Yesterday.  
The draft is published of China's provisional Constitution, which will be submitted to the People's Convention at Nanking on May 5 for discussion and adoption.  
The preamble states that the National Government is desirous of promulgating the Constitution so that the realization of a constitutional Government will be accelerated and political power be restored to a popularly-elected Government.  
The document provides that China shall be a Republic with sovereignty vested in the people. During the period of political tutelage, according to the programme of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the Kuomintang will exercise its governing powers through the National Government on behalf of the people.

### Legal Safeguards.

The draft provides that all the people shall be equal before the law, and shall only be arrested, imprisoned, tried or punished in accordance with law; and their houses and property shall not be subject to forcible entry, search or seizure except according to law.  
It confers on the people freedom of assembly and formation of associations, liberty of speech and publication, freedom to form "occupational organisations" for bettering living conditions.  
It demands that citizens have a duty to pay taxes and undertake military service.  
The National Government is to have supreme command of the military, naval and air forces, and have power to declare war, negotiate peace and conclude treaties.

### Provincial Powers.

The draft also provides that the Provincial Governors shall be under the National Government, except in Mongolia and Tibet, where "the system of local government shall be determined in the light of local conditions."  
All provincial sub-districts shall be governed by magistrates, and the people will be able to elect representatives to the National People's Congress.  
The National Government shall inaugurate employment bureaux and unemployment insurance, and take charge of those permanently disabled.—Reuter.

## INACCURATE NEWS

AMERICAN APOLOGISES TO CHINA.

### INCIDENT CLOSED.

Nanking, Yesterday.  
The American Minister, Mr. Johnson, personally handed to Minister C. T. Wang, yesterday, a letter from Mr. Hallett Abend, the China correspondent of the New York Times, in which he sincerely expressed regrets for past inaccurate dispatches published in the New York Times concerning China, which caused the Chinese National Government to demand his deportation during the Summer of 1929.  
The expression of regrets was accepted, and the incident is now officially closed, while arrangements are now being made to restore Mr. Abend's Press facilities.—Canton News Agency.

## REBELLIOUS MOOD OF PORTUGAL.

Bishop Intercedes in  
Fight with Rebels.

STUDENT REVOLT.

Lisbon, Yesterday.  
It is authoritatively stated that so far there has been no fighting in Madeira. The operations against the rebels were interrupted as a result of the Bishop of Funchal's efforts at mediation.  
The Spanish revolution and the rebellion in Madeira have inflamed sections of students in universities throughout Portugal against the rule of the Dictator, General Carmona. The Police evicted student demonstrators from the School of Medicine, University of Oporto, and one student was killed and 19 were injured by a collapse of scaffolding.  
Seven Portuguese students were arrested on the Spanish frontier bearing pamphlets urging the students of Portugal to revolt.  
The Government denies that the situation is disquieting, but admits that 10,000 troops are concentrated at various points to preserve order if necessary.—Reuter.

## INDIA AND COTTON

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who expressed themselves as "greatly impressed by their overwhelming case."

The Labour member, Commander, Commander Kenworthy, speaking in the Lobby subsequently as regards the deputation, deplored the boycott and said "One should tell these people that if we are going to attend the Round Table Conference it must be understood that it is to be a fair crack of the whip and the freedom of trade."  
Four members of the House of Commons—Messrs. Oliver, Compston, Tillet, and Hammersley—have been appointed as another deputation by the Committee of the Lancashire House of Commons group, which privately interviewed Mr. Wedgwood Benn on the same subject.

**Situation Brighter.**  
The effect of the Irwin-Gandhi agreement on trade was dealt with by the Labour Member, Lord Snell, the new Under Secretary for India, in his first speech in the House of Lords in reply to a debate on India.  
He said that the time was too short for a confident opinion in regard to the effect. He had no reason to believe that the undertaking in regard to the boycott of British commodities was generally being disregarded, though certain difficulties had arisen which the Government of India were considering.  
He was informed that the open preaching of boycott as a political weapon had practically ceased, but efforts were still being made to persuade Indians to cease using foreign cloth. That was consistent with the agreement.  
The Government of India had received the general impression that the sales of foreign, including British cloth, had increased, and that the existing stocks were being cleared. There was undoubtedly a widespread desire for peace throughout India. There were certainly difficult times ahead, but the Government saw nothing in the situation to justify a mood of pessimism.—Reuter.

## PRINCES RETURN TO BRITAIN.

Head Winds on Flight  
from Paris.

MET BY DUKE OF YORK.

Rugby, Yesterday.  
The Prince of Wales and Prince George this morning flew from Le Bourget, Paris, in the giant air liner City of Glasgow and landed in Windsor Great Park at 1.15 p.m. The landing, which, at the request of the Prince of Wales was entirely without ceremony, marks the end of the 18,000 miles journey which the Princes have made since leaving Britain on January 15 to tour South America.

Head winds were encountered in the flight from Paris and the Princes' aeroplane was delayed for 40 minutes. Two Royal Air Force flying boats escorted the City of Glasgow across the Channel and on reaching the British Coast the Royal Air Force Squadrons took over the escort duties.  
The Duke of York met his brothers when they landed on Smith's Lawn and motored with them to Windsor Castle, where the King and Queen affectionately greeted their sons.—British Wireless Service.

### Earlier News.

London, Yesterday.  
The Royal Princes concluded their South American tour within a stone's throw of Windsor Castle, where their Majesties were waiting to welcome them.  
The Princes landed at Windsor Park from their air liner at 1.09 p.m.

### Informal Homecoming.

Later.  
"Hullo, how are you?" said the Duke of York. "Fine," replied the Prince of Wales and Prince George, after alighting from the air liner at Windsor Park. This was characteristic of the informal and unostentatious arrival of the Princes on their return from one of the greatest Royal tours in history, and was in keeping with the Prince of Wales's express wish.  
There was a great crowd, but they scarcely cheered. There was no sign of emotional display as the Royal brothers stood chatting for ten minutes, concealed from the crowd by the air liner. They then drove to Windsor Castle where the King and Queen were waiting them.

### The Terrier's Joy.

An hour before the Princes arrived, an aeroplane alighted on the lawn of Windsor Park, and two Air Force officers emerged and prepared a direction arrow for the Royal plane, which appeared over the trees dwarfing its escort of five Siskin fighters and alighted a yard or two from the indication mark, then swept round facing a great crowd assembled near the Princes' waiting motor-car.  
The Duke of York, accompanied by a few members of the household, walked across and was the first to greet his brothers, whom, after their informal greeting, he plied with questions about the tour.  
Less formal was the welcome the Prince of Wales accorded Cora, his Cairn terrier, which on hearing his master's voice sprang from the motor-car and rushed to be fondled after the long absence.  
The crowd lining the three miles of the Long Walk cheered the Princes as they drove to the Castle.—Reuter.

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